

Date: April 25, 2023  
To: Senate Committee on Rules  
From: Adele and Mark Cerny  
RE: Support SJR 33

Members of the Committee,

We are writing to express our heartfelt support for Senate Joint Resolution 33. It is our belief that all citizens of Oregon should be able to lead their lives as they choose, without the threat of discrimination. We believe that everyone should have the right to be able to access reproductive gender –related health care as they choose.

As parents and granddaughters, we are shocked that our daughters and grandchildren do not have the same rights that we had fifty years ago because of recent Supreme Court decision. With the current Supreme Court, we are seriously concerned that those rights will be further eroded. Across the nation, we see attacks on freedoms that we used to take for granted. If this is a constitutional amendment, then the law will not change at the whim of politicians who persistently ignore their constituents' widespread support of these rights.

We urge you to protect the rights of all Oregon citizens by passing SJR33 in order to ensure that our state constitution affords the same protections to live their lives **free** of laws that discriminate against people on the basis of sex, gender, sexual orientation, or gender identity. It is essential that our democracy continue to be built on the foundation of freedom of religion and diversity.

Sincerely,  
Adele and Mark Cerny