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On Behalf Of:
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Measure: SJR33

To whom it may concern,

I writing you in support of the equal rights bill on behalf of myself and my girlfriend. We are at a point in this country that it is important to stand against hate and protect the vulnerable. I have LGBTQ friends in other states that fear for their lives and the lives of their families. They are fleeing their states and need safe havens to land.

Personally I have been an Oregon resident my whole life. Lately I have experienced an increase of harassment because I am a Lesbian. My girlfriend and I each have a son. We get harassed more when we are all together. My son doesn't talk about my girlfriend or her son at school or with his friends, because of fear. We are a family and kids should be comfortable talking about their families. My girlfriend is estranged from her family, because she is a lesbian. We hope to get married one day. We are concerned that in an event of a medical issue her family will have a say in her care.

So I'm asking to please pass this bill so we can work towards love and away from hate.

Sincerely,
Carrie Phillips