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It is basic to our humanity that all of us are supported and that we all have access to information that can help us to understand each other and ourselves more deeply. What a massive tragedy it is that some believe that to suppress knowledge and human experience makes them more secure. When we are learning about the world, each other, and ourselves we need to see the big picture, not a narrow view. A narrow view is not education.

Education is not alienating others for their beliefs, background, sexual orientation, race or any other perceived differences. Oregon has been a safe place for literature and for truth, for the most part, and we need to keep moving in that direction so that we can all understand ourselves better.

Sincerely, Flora Rudoph