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On Behalf Of:

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I am writing to express my deep frustration and strong opposition to the newly proposed tax hikes in Oregon. Simply put: Oregonians cannot afford to shoulder any more financial burden. Families and small businesses are already stretched to the limit by rising housing costs, utilities, food prices, and other essentials — and now we're being asked to pay even more?

This is unacceptable.

If our state government is facing budget shortfalls, the answer is not to repeatedly turn to the pockets of hardworking residents. It's time for lawmakers to take a hard look at government spending and cut costs where possible — just like every Oregon household has had to do. Prioritize efficiency. Eliminate waste. Restructure bloated departments. But do not punish the very people who are working hard every day just to stay afloat.

We need leaders who will fight for economic sanity — not pile on new taxes under the guise of progress or equity. If the current trend continues, more Oregonians will leave the state for places where cost of living and tax burdens are more manageable. That's not a future any of us want.

I urge you to stand against any further tax increases and instead push for fiscal responsibility and accountability at every level of government.

We are already about .84 higher than the national average for gas per gallon, when will this end? We are middle class and facing not being able to live in this beautiful state.

Sincerely,

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