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Shalom, my name is Chad Kernutt I'm from Albany, Oregon. I'm an Army veteran of OIF and OND, I'm a husband and father of 3. I'm an American, I have rights that are given to me by God and are enshrined in the U.S. and Oregon constitutions. We do not have a monarchy in this country, I am not a commoner. This is not Europe and we are not enslaved by the European Union or Marxist government systems. Unless you want a remake of the Revolutionary War I suggest not taking the rights of the people to own weapons and unfairly overburdening WE THE PEOPLE, the law abiding citizens, beyond what is necessary. Measure 114 and HB-4145 are not constitutional despite whatever these anti-gun fancy dressed liberal judges and state legislators and the state Attorney General say. Both our state and national constitutions are perfect as written. We have background checks for all purchases and transfers in this state. Our back ground checks check criminal records, psychiatric holds, and state hospital records. Our concealed carry permits require gun safety classes and continuing and updated back ground checks. We have yet to have a concealed carry permit holder carry out a mass shooting in this country and we have more concealed carry holders stopping crimes then law enforcement. An educated person only has to research the numbers of the CDC gun crime studies and findings and also the FBI yearly statistics to find that those with Concealed Carry Permits are the most law-abiding people in the country and are far more effective than law enforcement in stopping mass shootings and also not hurting civilians in the process when stopping a bad guy with a gun. Our laws already on the books are perfect, our response to the mental health crisis and holding criminals accountable is not. Gun control and restricting and overburdening the access of the people to acquire firearms constitutionally can not and will not ever be the answer, but instead the focus should be on properly funded and staffed mental health services and expanded background checks that include juvenile records and school disciplinary/mental health counseling records. This will be the most effective way to curb the mentally ill and dangerous, unstable, and violent people from getting legal access to purchase guns. And for illegally possessed guns and gun violence prevention in general today we need liberal prosecutors offices and liberal legislators to stop giving slaps on the wrists to criminals and felons with guns turning them right back out onto the streets and start prosecuting these criminals with the laws on the books and increase the prison sentences for violent crimes, crimes involving weapons, felons in possession of a firearms, and possession of stolen firearms and firearms with destroyed serial numbers which are of course stolen. These are the answers for societies problems today. Not gun control and making it harder for decent law abiding people to get firearms for their defense and the defense of others, a right enshrined in both the Oregon and US constitutions. Please ensure this

madness and tyranny does not pass.

Shalom,  
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IN GOD WE TRUST