DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF LANE COUNTYPlatform Committee

6/18/2015

RESOLUTION 2015.12

A resolution of the Democratic Party of Lane County

Relating to the 2015 recall election

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Democratic Party of Lane County, according to the

DPLC Platform of 2014, to "Protect the Second Amendment right to bear arms, understanding that while finding the right to bear arms an 'individual right' in District of Columbia v. Heller, Justice Scalia noted that the right is 'not unlimited,' and that the ruling should not 'cast doubt on longstanding prohibitions on the possession of firearms by felons and the mentally ill, or laws forbidding the carrying of firearms in sensitive places such as schools and government buildings, or laws imposing conditions or qualifications on the commercial sale of arms;'" and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party of Lane County has previously Resolved to endorse the Oregon Alliance for Gun Safety [Resolution 2015.01]; and

WHEREAS, the Democratic Party of Lane County has previously Resolved "to support efforts to get reasonable [gun violence prevention] measures with requisite funding passed by Congress, the state legislature, and local governing bodies" [Resolution 2013.02]; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Legislature enacted Senate Bill 941, which mandates background checks on almost all purchasers of firearms in the State of Oregon, in 2015; and

WHEREAS, right wing extremists have taken out petitions to recall Democratic legislators who supported Senate Bill 941, including Sen. Floyd Prozanski and Rep. Val Hoyle.

Therefore, the Democratic Party of Lane County Resolves:

Section 1. To support Senator Floyd Prozanski and Representative Val Hoyle by actively opposing the recall efforts against them; and

Section 2. To oppose recall efforts against any other Lane County Democratic legislators as a result of their votes in favor of common-sense gun safety legislation.

Resolved by the Central Committee of the Democratic Party of Lane County, Assembled in Eugene, Oregon, June 18, 2015

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Chris Wig	Celine Swenson-Harris	
Chair	Secretary	