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Statement from Oregon Association Chiefs of Police, Oregon State Sheriffs' Association and Oregon State Police in response to the tragic death of George Floyd in Minneapolis

Oregon's Police Chiefs, Sheriffs and State Police Superintendent are unified in condemning the reprehensible actions and tactics demonstrated in Minneapolis that resulted in the tragic death of George Floyd.

As police leaders and on behalf of our law enforcement officers in Oregon, we wish to reassure our communities that we do not condone and will not tolerate this type of conduct. Our police officers, deputies and troopers take a solemn oath to uphold the Constitution. Our profession is based on the core values of honesty, character, professionalism, respect and accountability. We recognize and value the sanctity of human life and we believe all persons should be treated humanely and with dignity.

Public trust and accountability for police agencies and police officers is crucial to a safe, inclusive community. We recognize that even isolated incidents of police misconduct anywhere undermine public trust everywhere. We are dismayed and disgusted when the actions of a few tarnish the reputation of our honorable law enforcement profession and undermine the heroic work our police officers perform in service to our communities. We will continue to work hard to strengthen the confidence Oregonians have in our work and we value the trust you place in us.

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Chief Jim Ferraris, President
Oregon Association Chiefs of Police

A black ink signature of Superintendent Travis Hampton.

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Oregon State Police

A blue ink signature of Sheriff Terry Rowan.

Sheriff Terry Rowan, President
Oregon State Sheriffs' Association