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House Republican Leader Supports Oregon State Police; Calls for Governor to Intervene

Salem, ORE. – Today, House Republican Leader Christine Drazan (R-Canby) released the following statement:

“As troopers return to their regular duties across Oregon, I thank them for their service and willingness to stand in the gap in Portland to protect the right to protest and restore order to a city determined to condone violence.

Unfortunately, this isn’t an end to the chaos. Multnomah County’s district attorney has announced to rioters that prior to prosecution, Oregon’s laws will essentially be weighed in the balance of his personal political judgment. This sets an incredibly dangerous precedent. These aren’t victimless crimes and this decision must not go unanswered. Violence and vandalism must not be allowed to continue in Portland or anywhere else in our state.

I urge Governor Kate Brown to step in and use her executive authority to appoint a special prosecutor. It is time for the Governor to stand up for the enforcement of Oregon’s laws and ensure the prosecution of those who have harmed the cause of equality.”

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