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Statement from Senate Majority Leader Kayse Jama on Ruling from the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals

SALEM, Ore. SALEM, Ore. – After a three-judge panel of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals issued a ruling today to allow deployment of National Guard forces in Oregon, **Senate Majority Leader Kayse Jama (D – E Portland, Boring & Damascus)** made this statement on the matter:

"Saturday's peaceful demonstrations all over the state showed how well Oregonians and local law enforcement work together to maintain public safety. That's one reason it is puzzling that a three-judge panel of 9th Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that the president can deploy the National Guard in our state.

"Oregon does not need federalized armed forces fortifying government buildings, and I join Governor Tina Kotek and Attorney General Dan Rayfield in urging the full 9th Circuit to vacate the panel's order.

"I also recognize the sacrifices made by Oregon National Guard members, who leave their homes, families, and jobs when they are ordered to deploy. National Guard soldiers are our neighbors, and they have my respect and appreciation in this turbulent time."