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OREGONIANS WIN: Republicans and Independents Protect the Rule of Law and Parental Rights, Hold the Majority Accountable

SALEM, Ore. – Today, a quorum was reached on the Senate floor after a six-week-long peaceful, constitutional protest. This was the result of countless hours of good-faith negotiations and true bipartisanship after weeks of <u>nothing</u> but the <u>contrary</u>.

"Senate Republicans and Independents stood firm as the last line of defense for parental rights and the rule of law. I am incredibly proud of their steadfast determination to give their constituents a long-overdue seat at the table. We have <u>said from the very beginning</u> that we cannot allow the Senate to operate in an unlawful, uncompromising, and unconstitutional manner. We <u>repeatedly urged</u> Democrat leaders to put the critical needs of *all* Oregonians first instead of prioritizing an extreme agenda that does nothing but divide us. I am pleased to say that we were able to hold the Democrat Majority accountable and accomplish all these things. We achieved constitutional, lawful bipartisanship. And parental rights were restored," **said Senate Republican Leader Tim Knopp (R-Bend).**

"Though Democrats hold a slim majority, it is critically important that the voices of *all* Oregonians are heard in this process. We knew the risk we were taking, but we feel our challenge to Measure 113's constitutionality is strong. Some of our colleagues may disagree, but that is a battle for another day. Today, we are happy to deliver this win for Oregonians," **said Senator Lynn Findley (R-Vale).**