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President Wagner, Speaker Fahey Respond to Threat of Federal Troops in Portland

Federal troops are unwanted, unneeded and would only risk incitement

SALEM, Ore. – Today, **House Speaker Julie Fahey (D-Eugene)** and **Senate President Rob Wagner (D-Lake Oswego)** are releasing the following statements in response to President Trump's announcement that he will seek to deploy federal troops to Portland:

"There is no mistaking where Oregonians stand: we do not want federal troops on our streets," **Speaker Fahey** said. "Oregon is our home, not a war zone or a military target, and our communities remain vibrant and secure. Sending the military to Portland would not only be a violation of federal law, but of our basic rights and freedoms. I know this moment feels unsettling for people across our state and across the country — now more than ever, I urge Oregonians to stay calm, stay peaceful, and stay united."

"President Trump's threat to deploy the military in Portland is an attempt to incite people and distract from the real challenges that face this nation," **President Wagner** said. "I'm calling on all Oregonians to remain peaceful in the face of this threat of unwanted and unneeded federal aggression into our great state. I want to thank Gov. Kotek for her leadership and I stand ready to support her, our federal delegation, and local officials."