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My name is Bozeb Bunn Beckwith. I am speaking today as a **private citizen**. I am **not** speaking today as the Chair of the Gun Owners Caucus of the Democratic Party of Oregon; nor as an Executive Committee Member of the Democratic Party of Oregon.

May I begin? (*wait for response*)

Mr Chairman; members of the committee: I rise today in opposition of bills SB 868, SB 797 and SB 764 as amended.

I am a big “D” Democrat. I am a PCP and Neighborhood Leader. I work to get Democrats elected!

When I first became a member of the DPO's Gun Owners Caucus I bought one of our bumper-stickers. The bumper-sticker has a simple line on it. It says “Democrats don't want your guns – we've got our own.” I love that line, it's simple and to the point.

I have since peeled that bumper sticker off of my car. When I read SB 868 I realized I can't keep it on there anymore.

This bill, makes my bumper sticker completely false.

I know I am only one voice. I know I may have jeopardized my position in the Democratic Party by speaking here today; and I know I might be labeled as a “crazy gun guy.”

But I am not!

I am just a guy. I a guy who took a shift off of work to come down to Salem, to try to break through this space between us, in 2 minutes, to help the members of this committee see this bill for what it truly is:

A bill that takes our guns away.

Mr Chairman, members of the committee: I ask you to oppose these bills.

As I said, I am a Democrat; and I will **still** work to get Democrats elected, but the **kind** of Democrats I will help to get elected will be those that truly agree with this DPO

resolution:

(Quote) “The Democratic Party of Oregon resolves: To recognize and support the right to keep and bear arms in Article 1 Section 27 of the Oregon State Constitution and the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America as an individual right **not granted** by the government, but rather **guaranteed** by the government.” (End Quote)

Please help me in **guaranteeing all of our rights.**

Thank you for your time.

Other notes for written testimony:

1) Please make an exception for NFA (National Firearms Act) items. I believe that if the respondent actually follows this bill, as written, they would be committing a federal crime to transfer any NFA item to a local law enforcement officer (or basically anyone else) if they tried to comply with surrendering all firearms in their custody, control or possession.

Resolution No 2005-008 of the Democratic Party of Oregon.

