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Vote YES on MEASURE 73

We urge you to vote YES on MEASURE 73.

The measure deals with repeated major sex crime convictions and third-time intoxicated driver convictions.

The following four Class A felony sex crimes are covered: rape in the first degree; sodomy in the first degree; unlawful sexual penetration in the first degree; and using a child in a display of sexually explicit conduct. Measure 73 requires that a criminal who receives a second conviction for any of these four crimes will serve at least 25 years in prison. These are the worst of the sexual predators, and they need to be kept out of our neighborhoods to protect society.

As to a third conviction for intoxicated driving, Measure 73 requires a jail sentence of at least 90 days. Offenders already receive treatment and probation on earlier convictions. Current Oregon law provides for perhaps one or two days in jail and more treatment on a third conviction. In Washington state, a third conviction requires 90 days in jail plus 120 days under house arrest. In California, a third conviction requires at least 120 days in jail. So Measure 73 simply brings Oregon closer to real accountability for intoxicated driving.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, drivers with one or more prior intoxicated driving convictions are 40% more likely to be involved in a fatal crash than those without a prior intoxicated driving conviction.

In 2008, there were 233 alcohol, drug, or alcohol and drug-related fatalities on Oregon highways. If we "lock



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up" repeat intoxicated drivers, we have a chance to reduce this annual death toll on our roads and, over time, save the economic cost of over \$1,000,000 per fatality. Measure 73 is a "good buy" for Oregonians.

141,000 Oregonians signed petitions to put Measure 73 on the ballot. Please make Oregon safer by voting YES on MEASURE 73.

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