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From:	Kelly Campbell <kelly@oregonpsr.org></kelly@oregonpsr.org>
Sent:	Wednesday, November 13, 2019 11:02 AM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Cc:	Chisao Hata
Subject:	Chisao Hata OPSR testimony: support nuclear ban and diplomacy with Iran
Attachments:	Chisao Hata OPSR Testimony in support of nuclear ban treaty and diplomacy with Iran
	resolutions.pdf

Please find attached testimony in support of the resolutions to support the Nuclear Ban Treaty and Diplomacy with Iran submitted by Chisao Hata, advisory board member, Oregon PSR.

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November 13th, 2019

Submitted by Chisao Hata

This testimony is presented to the Portland City Council to support the resolution introduced by Commissioner Fritz to prevent nuclear war. With this resolution the City of Portland declares its opposition to nuclear weapons and urges the US Federal Government to sign the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.

Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners:

My name is Chisao Hata and I am speaking on behalf of the Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility to support and pass the resolution we bring to you today. As a national organization, the Physicians for Social Responsibility known as PSR began when doctors and health professionals recognized there was no cure to a nuclear war, and that it was their professional obligation to prevent a nuclear war from ever happening. For their continued dedication the international affiliate of PSR was awarded the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize. PSR was also gave birth to the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (also known as ICAN) which was awarded the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize for their work to urge the US government to sign the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons which was ultimately supported by 122 nations.

Global cities support the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and by passing this resolution today you join other city leaders from a dozen US cities and more than 100 cities around the world including Vancouver BC, Los Angeles, CA, Paris, France, and of course Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan. We urge you to add Portland, Oregon to the list of cities. We also remind you that Portland has been a "Mayor's for Peace" city since 1988 supporting the call from mayors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki to abolish nuclear weapons.

We thank Commissioner Amanda Fritz for working with Oregon PSR chapter leadership and partnering organizations to bring this and the next resolution supporting diplomacy with Iran to your attention and active vote. We also celebrate and honor our state leadership who passed Senate Joint Memorial 5 a few months ago and thank hundreds of Portlanders who have signed a petition in support of the Nuclear Ban Treaty. All of these are detailed in Oregon PSR's submitted testimony.

We in the Pacific Northwest have a direct link to the manufacturing of the only atomic bombs used on the planet. Plutonium for the bomb that devastated Hiroshima and Nagasaki was produced at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation which also sits on top of multiple fault lines. Our Columbia River is a mighty natural resource affecting how all of us live and survive. Unfortunately, the work to prevent nuclear war is as urgent today as ever. In fact, the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists has set their "doomsday clock" to two minutes to midnight, the closest we've been to nuclear annihilation since the height of the cold war.

You will hear in testimony today, nuclear weapons have already harmed and destroyed lives right here in Oregon. In addition, Portlanders pay millions in taxes to support nuclear weapons which deprives our citizens of funds for education, healthcare, and

climate justice. Fortunately, there is a path out of this nuclear nightmare, and by supporting this resolution, you become leaders in the movement for nuclear sanity. The resolution resolves to pursue two complimentary paths to nuclear disarmament: first, it supports legislation at the federal level that decreases the risk of nuclear war. Secondly, it supports the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, a UN treaty passed with the overwhelming support of 122 nations. This resolution also recognizes dedicated, fierce and gracious activists who have dedicated their lives to a nuclear free world.

As an artist it is our job to create, not destroy. As a mother and grandmother I want to leave a legacy of protecting natural world, as a person of color, we have continued to be brutalized in America and from America, and as a Sansei, third generation Japanese American, my immigrant grandparents came to America from Hiroshima to live a better life. As a human being I want us to be safe, I want us to connect and build lasting relationships and celebrate our American Diversity. As a Citizen of the United States and as a Portlander whose history is threaded deep into the fabric of this city, I urge and insist that you pass this resolution today.

Respectfully Submitted, Chisao Hata



From:	Dan Serres <dan@columbiariverkeeper.org></dan@columbiariverkeeper.org>
Sent:	Wednesday, November 13, 2019 10:25 AM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Subject:	Stating support for Portland Nuclear Ban Treaty Resolution

Dear Mayor Wheeler and Portland City Council Commissioners,

Thank you for considering the resolution today in support of the effort to curb nuclear weapons and the dramatic risks they pose to people in the Pacific Northwest and across the world. On behalf of Columbia Riverkeeper and our members and supporters, I would like to state our support for the resolution.

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Nuclear weapons development has dramatically impacted the Columbia River, Columbia River tribal nations, and downstream and downwind communities for decades. As the resolution acknowledges, the Hanford Nuclear Site remains the most contaminated place in the Western Hemisphere. Contamination from the federal government's production of plutonium for nuclear weapons persists in the soils, vegetation, structures, and groundwater across Hanford's 580-square mile site. Radioactive and toxic chemical pollution from Hanford's nuclear weapons mission reach the Columbia River today, and contamination will pose a long-term risk to people who may use Hanford in the future.

We strongly support the values stated in the resolution, including, "Portlanders, and all people, have the human right to live a life free from nuclear contamination and the threat posed by the use of nuclear weapons."

At a time when the United States' federal government is balking at the cleanup cost of our past weapons-related plutonium production at Hanford, the case is clear that our region - and the world - cannot afford to expand the toxic, radioactive, and life-threatening development of nuclear weapons.

Thank you for your leadership on this issue,

**Dan Serres** 

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## River Currents 2019 Issue 2 Newsletter—Read it Now

The Playbook Issue: How Columbia Riverkeeper is tackling corporate polluters, staving off fossil fuel giants, and inspiring people to fight for clean water.

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From:	Linda Richards <atomiclinda@gmail.com></atomiclinda@gmail.com>
Sent:	Wednesday, November 13, 2019 9:13 AM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Subject:	support for Nuclear Ban

I was born in Portland in June of 1963. This year was the highest in terms of nuclear air pollution from atmospheric weapons tests.

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It was also the year President Kennedy signed the Atmospheric Test Ban Treaty. This treaty was the result of the rational truth of the arguments of Linus Pauling, other scientists and concerned citizens from all around the world. African American leaders led the disarmament effort, arguing that nuclear weapons promised all people would be treated just as they were, always at risk by existential threats by just existing in their African American bodies. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., warned that America would lose its soul with such technologically superior and morally inferior weapons. He said we needed to work for nonviolent solutions and put our energy into how poverty, injustice and war are linked and study non-violence to create a better world.

Kennedy joined this people power movement to dare speak out against the horror of such weapons and the poisoning of our bodies and minds by nuclear weapons. The Treaty of 1963 was supposed to be followed by further agreements within a few months to end all production, testing and threats of use of such inhumane eco-cidal and genocidal weapons.

However, Kennedy was assassinated and the powers of the world continued to maintain this nuclear weapons testing regime for another 30 years. Huge profits for multinational corporations and corruptive powers is at the heart of this nuclear infrastructure, not rational defense. Today, US scientists continue to increase the kill power of these weapons.

Since 1945, the equivalent of over 35,000 Hiroshima have been tested worldwide by nuclear weapons states in space, on earth, underground, in the oceans. The bulk of this pollution was caused by the United States. It is indigenous peoples around the world who are disproportionately exposed to radiation from the uranium mining, milling, production, testing and storage of nuclear materials. Their human rights are being violated by nuclear processes.

We have amends to begin to make.

I am the child of a Vietnam Veteran and a niece of my Korean War Silver Star Medal hero Uncle Vic Juhola. My Uncle Vic was forced to march in atomic clouds of Shot Dog and became an Atomic Veteran in November of 1951. He died suffering October 11, 2008 in a Portland hospital, with his doctors unable to treat the strange aggressive cancers. To honor him and my father's service, I beg the Portland City Council to see we owe our children a better future than where nuclear weapons take us.

I want to see Portland and all of Oregon lead the way to a new type of security that is based not on force and fascism and threats of nuclear war, but based on consensus and justice, aligned with natural law that recognizes the equal worth of all beings to creation that we may continue to simply live and survive climate change.

We may not survive climate change if we choose to produce new nuclear weapons. This is because the earth's finite resources are limited. If we use them for these weapons, present and future generations do not have what is needed literally to have the chance to survive. Upwards of three trillion dollars and our brightest scientific minds continue to be spent on nuclear weapons, but these are the resources we need for creating equality, justice and sustainability for true security today.

The violence of leadership by nuclear weapons has altered our very humanity. This leads to hopelessness and emulation of nuclear totalitarian and fascism, reproducing violence as leadership. Rule by nuclear threat and coercion is corrupt.

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I was born in 1963 in your city to help realize these truly patriotic Americans dreams for justice, equality and sustainability. Thank you, Dr. Linda Marie Richards, Historian of Science, Oregon State University

From: Sent: To: Subject: Joseph Stenger <joseph.stenger@gmail.com> Wednesday, November 13, 2019 6:36 AM Council Clerk – Testimony Nuclear weapons

I support Amanda Fritz's resolution against nuclear weapons. I have been a lifelong resistor against these dangerous threats to civilization. Please vote in favor today!

Joe Stenger MD 97211

From:	Katharine Salzmann <katharinesalzmann@gmail.com></katharinesalzmann@gmail.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, November 12, 2019 8:04 PM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Subject:	Please affirm Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the use of diplomacy with Iran

Honorable Council Members,

I would like to encourage Portland City Council to support the resolutions putting Portland on the record affirming the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and affirming the use of diplomacy, not war, in resolving conflicts with Iran.

Last year I spent sixteen days traveling in Iran with a small group of people. We visited many of the usual tourist destinations but, because our guides were experienced and dedicated to a more realistic perspective, we also wandered off the usual beaten track. I want to tell you a few key things I saw there.

Iran has an ancient cosmopolitan history as a primary stopping place on long-standing trade routes. It is a cultural practice to welcome the traveler and the stranger. The people are famous for their hospitality which is a renowned social value.

When we told people we were from the United States, without exception the first words out of their mouths were a heartfelt, "Thank you so much for coming!" We heard this over and over again. And it was usually followed quickly by some version of "We know the people are not the government...Please go home and tell your people this is also true here."

Iran was, in many ways, completely familiar: modern urban areas filled with neon-lit shop fronts with apartments above, traffic jams, diesel pollution, modern high-rise buildings, tree lined streets, manikins, restaurants, manhole covers, power lines, graffiti, cell phones, cafes, shoppers, taxis, vibrant nightlife. As a woman, I have never felt so safe on the street: and I saw many women walking alone late at night. There are grocery stores that look just like any Safeway. And their traditional bazaar culture is a mall by any other name, but older and much more beautiful. The area we traveled in is high desert, like Oregon built from faulted basalts and ophialites. There are freeways and semi-trucks and truck stops selling ice cream, magazines and kitschy junk. There are farms everywhere and ancient low-tech wind and water systems that are still in use. Corn, wheat, beans, vegetables of every stripe, orchards, rose fields; for thousands of years with careful water management they have been able to make the desert bear fruit and brought water into rural towns and villages.

Our two countries have some things in common. It is a capitalist economy. There are economic class divisions and racism. Fashion is often important and personal vanity is a concern for both men and women. They like movies and music and stories. I heard Jimmy Hendrix and the Beatles in cafes. I was offered a Krispy Kreme donut... hey wait! I thought US companies couldn't do business in Iran! There were Nestle products in the grocery stores and Coke-a-cola everywhere. These companies have easily found ways to work around sanctions and embargoes. Unlike some Muslim countries (and various neighborhoods in Manhattan,) I never once heard a call to prayer amplified into a neighborhood. This surprised me. In the mosque at Naqsh-e Jahan Square in Isfahan our Iranian guide stood in an acoustically sensitive spot and did the call to prayer for us. it resonated throughout the huge vaulted space and was completely intimate.

Iran has more places designated as cultural heritage sites than anywhere else on Earth. Places that are still standing and actively cared for. It is a huge country with a wide variety of landscapes, from urban modern, old growth forests, seaside, snow-covered mountains, high desert, to name a few. Iran is actively interested in becoming an international tourist destination.

It is essential to put a human face on conflicts of any kind. And it is regular people just like us - JUST LIKE US - people with families and hopes and daily practices and jobs and shoes and ideas and secrets and hometowns they love, just like us - who suffer and die when our leaders can't figure out how to engage without militarized bullying, coercion and power plays.

This resolution is a small gesture but the idea is that it will have a ripple effect and towns all over the country will join us in condemning violent solutions to conflict. Our leadership has been infamous for pushing sovereign nations and their peoples around in order to take what we want. Iran is a good case in point. Let's try to find another way to interact with other countries, and with each other. One grounded in respect, and an awareness that we are all in this boat together.

Thanks, Katharine Salzmann Portland

Sent from my iPad

From:Kelly Campbell <kelly@oregonpsr.org>Sent:Tuesday, November 12, 2019 5:47 PMTo:Council Clerk – TestimonySubject:26 Groups and 200+ individuals support resolution on Nuclear Ban TreatyAttachments:Organizations and individuals supporting PDX City Council Res on Nulcear Ban Final.pdf

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Please find attached testimony on resolution to support the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

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To: Mayor Wheeler and Portland Commissioners Via email to cctestimony@portlandoregon.gov

From: Kelly Campbell, Executive Director, Oregon PSR

Re: Support for Portland City Council Resolution to "Declare City's opposition to nuclear weapons and urge the U.S Federal Government to sign the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and take action to prevent nuclear war"

I am writing to share with you the list of organizations and individuals supporting the resolution before Portland City Council tomorrow to support the Nuclear Ban Treaty.

The attached page lists the 26 community organizations that are endorsing this resolution and urging you to adopt it.

Also attached is the list of over 200 people who have signed a petition urging you to support the resolution along with their comments.

Thank you for considering this support as you make your decision.





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## Petition to Portland City Council on nuclear weapons

Pam AlleePortlandOR97213Comment: Very much in support of a treaty banning nuclear weapons. I urge PortlandCity Council to adopt a resolution for supporting nuclear disarmament.

Jason Ali Allen Portland OR 972170 **Comment:** I was born in Iran, my mother is from Iran and I can tell you that the people of Iran do not want another War. There are many people working hard on transforming Iranian Society. Over 70% of the population is under 30 years old and the majority of advanced degree students in universities are women. Demographic change is on its way. When the economy of Iran is able to support people's basic needs they are better able to turn their attention towards widening the aperture to freedom and democracy. They are not interested in international corporate hegemony coming into their sphere and they are not interested in outside military intervention or economic warfare waged against them.

Sheri Ambrose	Lincoln City	OR	97367		
Madison Arnold-Scerbo	Portland	OR	97216		
Julia Barstow	Portland	OR	97211		
Catherine Bax, PA	Portland	OR	97211-5770		
Faye BennettPortlandOR97214Comment: There must be no more horrible bombs dropped anywhere by anyone!					
Ray Bennett	Portland	OR	97229		
Maree Bento	Portland	OR	97213		
Peter Bergel	Salem	OR	97302		
Dana Bleckinger	Yachats	OR	97498		

Carol Blenning MD	Portland	OR	97213-3737
Naomi Bloom	Portland	OR	97201
Susan Bloom	Portland	OR	97211
Melantha Bobrick	Bend	OR	97703
Patty Bonney Portland OR 97223 <b>Comment:</b> If you don't understand the reality of a nuclear war, you should wa BBC film "Threads."			
Victoria Booth	Portland	OR	97212
Sarah Borsten	Portland	OR	97214
Christina Boyd	Portland	OR	97202
Joseph Breazeale, PhD	Ashland	OR	97520
Robert Burch	Coquille	OR	97423
Gillian Butler	Portland	OR	97213
Kelly Campbell	Portland	OR	97214
Mark Canright	Asbury	NJ	08802
Nancy Carl	Pocahontas	AR	72455

**Comment:** I agree, this plan leads to a renewed global nuclear arms race. The other threat is that there is no permanent depository for nuclear waste putting all citizens at risk.

Angela Carter	Portland	OR	97211
Elijah Cetas	Milwaukie	OR	97222
David Chatfield	Portland	OR	97206
Ann Clark	Portland	OR	97224
Ann Clarkson	Portland	OR	97202
Pam Cline, LCSW	Gresham	OR	97080
John Cochrane	Beaverton	OR	97006

Alison Cole	Portland	OR	97206
Marilyn Couch	Portland	OR	97210-1918
Stephen Couche	Portland	OR	97202
Alex Cox Comment: Not just Portlanders	Ashland will be inspired by th	OR is. All s	97520 ane Oregonians will be!
Jackie Critser	Wilsonville	OR	97070
Nancy Crumpacker, MD Comment: There are so many tr decrease one.	Portland roubles in the world.	OR Let us	97210 take action to at least
Kim Davis, LCSW	Salem	OR	97036
D. Deloff	Aloha	OR	97007
Karen Deora	Portland	OR	97212
Linda Donnelly	Salem	OR	97301
Ann Dudley	Portland	OR	97214
Pauline Duffy	Portland	OR	97202
Arthur Dye	Portland	OR	97232
Ed Edmo	Gresham	OR	97080
Jen Eiffert	Beaverton	OR	97005
Barbara Ellis	Portland	OR	97202
Catherine Ellison, MD	Portland	OR	97205-5808
Cheryl Erb	Salem	OR	97301
Amir Fathizadeh	Tigard	OR	97223
Virginia Feldman, MD	Portland	OR	97219-7835
Judy Arielle Fiestal	Portland	OR	97214

**Comment:** "Our survival depends on our moving away from nuclear weapons and consider diplomacy the only answer for a lasting peace."

Papi Fimbres	Portland	OR	97211
Kathleen Fisher	Portland	OR	97214
Maxine Fookson, RN, MN	Portland	OR	97215
M. Foster	Tigard	OR	97223
Ruth Frankel	Portland	OR	97210-1937
Colleen Freidberg	Vancouver	WA	98660
Stan Freidberg, MD	Vancouver	WA	98660

John Gillette, MDPortlandOR97209Comment: Time to step up and support sane solutions to the nuclear threat and wasteof precious resources. Please vote for this resolution!

Robert Goldman, MD	Portland	OR	97221
Phil Goldsmith	Portland	OR	97210-2986
Jan Golick	Eugene	OR	97405
Nancy Gordon-Zwerling	Portland	OR	97210
Eartha Green	Portland	OR	97225
Carolyn Guidry	Springfield	OR	97478

Barbara Gundle Portland OR 97212 Comment: I strongly support the UN Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty.It's the only sensible policy to pursue.

Barbara Haga Portland OR 97203 Comment: The only road to relative global safety is to stay in negotiations to reduce the threat of nuclear aggression/retaliation. We must renew our agreement with Iran and Allies to reduce extreme global divisiveness. Sensible International Diplomacy must take place on all levels.

Valerie Hall	Milwaukie	OR	97222
Ellen Hansen	Hillsboro	OR	97124

Randy HarrisonEugeneOR97402Comment: Nuclear weapons are not devices which strike the enemy, or military, butinvolve the killing of those people in their zone of destruction. They are not the enemy.It is like killing family members to stop a person from doing something objectionable.They are immoral actions.

Sylvia Hart-Landsberg Comment: Be strong!	Portland	OR	97219
Nancy Hashimoto	Portland	OR	97214
Chisao Hata	Portland	OR	97211
Austin Hayes, MD	Hillsboro	OR	97124
Susan Heath	Albany	OR	97322
Max Heine <b>Comment:</b> Portlanders support of all!	Portland a nuclear weapons fi	OR ree wol	97203 rld for the health and safety
Ann Henry	Lake Oswego	OR	97034
Annabelle Herbert	Portland	OR	97219
David Hermanns	Portland	OR	97203
William Herz, MD	Bend	OR	97709
Damian Hinman	Beaverton	OR	97005
Rich Iwasaki	Beaverton	OR	97006
Hiroshi lwaya	Portland	OR	97221
Janine Iwaya	Portland	OR	97221
Lars Jefferson	Albany	OR	97322-4694
Janet Johnson	Newport	OR	97365
David Johnston	Portland	OR	97213
Douglas Kacir	Portland	OR	97206

Julie Kangas-Walker	King City	OR	97224
Robert Kaplan	Port Angeles	WA	98362
Joel Kay	Milwaukie	OR	97222
Teresa Keane, MSN, PMHNP	Portland	OR	97219-7721
Lindsay Kern	Portland	OR	97213
John Kimball	Portland	OR	97213
Patricia Kullberg, MD	Portland	OR	97202
Barbara LaCombe	Portland	OR	97201
Barbara Ledl, RN	Reedsport	OR	97467
Joyce Leggatt	Portland	OR	97211
Beth Levin	Portland	OR	97213
Shana Lindbeck	Portland	OR	97211
Craig Loftin	Portland	OR	97201
John Long	Redmond	OR	97756
Karla Long	Albany	OR	97321
Becky Luening	Portland	OR	97206-4700
David Lunde	North Bend	OR	97459
Marianne Mabbitt	Salem	OR	97304
Nikki Mandell	Portland	OR	97215
Barbara Manildi, MD	Lake Oswego	OR	97035
Lloyd Marbet	Boring	OR	97009
Richard March	Portland	OR	97215
Meladee Martin	Portland	OR	97221

Connie Masuoka	Portland	OR	97239
Marianne Mauldin	Portland	OR	97211-8237
Maveret McClellan <b>Comment:</b> Speaking as an ordir Buddhist organization dedicated I see these weapons as blatantly the dignity of ordinary people the necessary first step towards esta	to achieving world pe and fundamentally of world over. Getting	eace th oppose rid of th	rough individual happiness, d to a basic commitment to nese weapons is a

Annie McCuen	Salem	OR	97302
Gary McCuen	Salem	OR	97302
Ken McDaniel	Portland	OR	97226
Teresa McFarland	Seattle	WA	98146
Anne McLaughlin	Portland	OR	97210-2252
Mona McNeil	Vancouver	WA	98686

Margaret McSorleyPortlandOR97221Comment: The world is insane with weapons. Let us develop the model for all states to<br/>follow as we move forward in the future.

Linda Meier, MD	Portland	OR	97219-4643
Lluvia Merello	Portland	OR	97218
Sandi Meyer	Portland	OR	97217
Rhoberta Michaels	Clackamas	OR	97015
Adrian Monty	Corvallis	OR	97333
Carole Most, MN, NP	Portland	OR	97214
Damon Motz-Storey	Portland	OR	97216
Kate Murphy	Portland	OR	97224
Randall Nerwick	Milwaukie	OR	97222
John Nettleton	Portland	OR	97202

Levin Nock Portland OR 97213 **Comment:** Taxpayers are already spending \$142,412,948 annually on nuclear weapons. Spending a massive budget on nuclear weapons makes our city, country and planet less safe--not more safe. This budget is absolutely sickening. The biggest national security threat is climate change. When will the US spend a trillion dollars to address that?

Stanley Nudelman, MD Corvallis OR 97330 Comment: We have seen what nuclear bombs can do! The damage to human life and suffering is totally inhumane and needs to stop!!!

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Mary Lynn OBrien, MD	Lake Oswego	OR	97035
Teresa O'Donnell	Portland	OR	97212
Gail O'Hara	Portland	OR	97206
Bonnie Olin	Junction City	OR	97448
Maureen O'Neal	Portland	OR	97223
Laurence Overmire	West Linn	OR	97068
Melissa Owens, LPC	Portland	OR	97229
Michael Bryce Parent, MD, MS	Portland	OR	97218
Gary Pederson, DDS	Salem	OR	97302
Nick Petersen	Beaverton	OR	97006
Tomm Pickles, DMD	Portland	OR	97225
Evelyn Pietrowski-Ciullo	Salem	OR	97301
Sandy Polishuk	Portland	OR	97212-4464
Jenny Pompilio, MD, MPH	Portland	OR	97229
Barbara Poulsen	Corvallis	OR	97330
Steven Prince	Eugene	OR	97405

Jonathan PurvisPortlandOR97209Comment: Nuclear weapons are the very definition of "evil". We need to rid the world of<br/>this menace to all life.

Nasrin Rahatzad	Portland	OR	97219
Wendy Rankin	Portland	OR	97214
Robert Ranta	Portland	OR	97217
Polly Rask	Portland	OR	97201
Ann Reiner	Portland	OR	97232
Brent Rocks	Portland	OR	97201
Ned Rosch	Portland	OR	97215
Mary Ryan-Hotchkiss, PhD	Portland	OR	97229
Patsy Sakamoto	Portland	OR	97205
Steve Saslow	Portland	OR	97229-6139
Rosemary Schmidt	Portland	OR	97214
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Jill Spencer	Portland	OR	97232

Alona Steinke	Vancouver	WA	98682-9637
Karen Stingle <b>Comment:</b> I'm not from Portland hope all of Oregon will take it on.		OR Ind sup	97401 oport this movement and
Fran Storrs, MD	Portland	OR	97219-8357
Renee Stringham, MD	Portland	OR	97201
Mindy Strnad, MD	Portland	OR	97210
Margaret Sweeney	Portland	OR	97213
Dennis Sweeney, MD	Portland	OR	97213
David Tay	Piedmont	CA	94620
Sean Tenney	Portland	OR	97205
Carl Thatcher	Portland	OR	97233
Catherine Thomasson, MD	Portland	OR	97213
Harvey Thorstad	Portland	OR	97236
Betsy Toll	Portland	OR	97286

Betsy Toll Portland OR 97286 Comment: The urgent need to support the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons has never been greater. Rapidly escalating geopolitical instability and extreme climate events could combine to unleash a disaster beyond human imagination. Yet the United States is poised to direct more than \$1 trillion to enhancing and upgrading our already huge store of nuclear weapons. Cities across our country need to step up boldly to declare "No!" One very visible way to do this is for cities across the country to take these resolutions and demand that this deeply disturbing nuclear expansion not go forward. I urge our City Council to support the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons of the United Nations, and to work with our congressional delegates to build this movement against nuclear weapons for our children's future.

Karen Trumper	Portland	OR	97229
Theodora Tsongas, PhD, MS	Portland	OR	97215
Dena Turne	Portland	OR	97215
Ann Turner, MD	Portland	OR	97211-5770

Natalie Van Leekwijck	Hazard	NE	68844
Michael Wade <b>Comment:</b> Nuclear weapons are money!	Portland e a great threat to hu	OR manity	97214 and a gigantic waste of our
Marleen Wallingford	Portland	OR	97225
Lisa Ward Portland OR 97206 <b>Comment:</b> I want my tax dollars to go to climate justice, health care, and education, NOT nuclear weapons. PLEASE support the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. We should be moving away from Nuclear Weapons, not building more.			
Randall Wayne	Eugene	OR	97403
Dana Weintraub	Beaverton	OR	97003
Steve Weiss	Portland	OR	97202
Lois White	Grants Pass	OR	97527
Annette White-Parks, PhD <b>Comment:</b> Thanks so much for s	Portland sending this out!	OR	97206-2628
Martin Winch	Portland	OR	97219-3004
Carolyn Winch	Portland	OR	97219-3004
Melanie Wood	Portland	OR	97219
Paige Wyrick	Portland	OR	97202
Piper Wyrick	Portland	OR	97202
Ati Yates, MD, FACP <b>Comment:</b> I feel this is essential	The Dalles , as is our response	OR to clima	97058 ate change.
Mike Zotter	Portland	OR	97214
Jan Zuckerman	Portland	OR	97212
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From: Sent: To: Subject: Dell Goldsmith <dell.goldsmith@gmail.com> Tuesday, November 12, 2019 5:36 PM Council Clerk – Testimony nuclear weapons

We know about these horrible risks but we go about our lives like zombies. WAKE UP friends, relatives and representatives. Stop this madness! Dell Goldsmith and Robin McLeod

From:	Michael Alexander <21gillhead@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, November 10, 2019 8:16 PM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Subject:	Resolution: City of Portland Urging our Federal Government to Engage in Diplomacy with Iran

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SUBJECT: City of Portland Urging our Federal Government to Engage in Diplomacy with Iran Resolution

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Michael Alexander and I'm the President of the Portland/Shiraz Sister City Friendship Committee. We are a group of local citizens attempting to establish a formal Sister City relationship with the city of Shiraz in Iran.

The concept of Sister Cities was introduced by President Eisenhower in 1956 when he convened the White House Conference on Citizen Diplomacy. His primary focus was the People to People Initiative, establishing strong and enduring bonds between our citizens and those of other countries as a means of increasing understanding and preventing future wars.

We strongly support the above referenced resolution! Since President Trump unilaterally and unwisely withdrew from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) and initiated multiple barriers to carrying out people-to-people connections with the Iranian people, it has become increasingly challenging to engage in the type of citizen diplomacy that Eisenhower envisioned.

I submit this testimony believing that two deeply-held convictions unite us in common purpose. First, is our belief in effective and responsive local government as a principle bulwark of freedom. Second is our faith in the great promise of people-to-people and sister city affiliations in helping build the solid structure of world peace.

Again, I urge the City Council to pass the resolution. It will be a step toward moving our efforts forward to build bridges of friendship, understanding and peace between the people of Portland and Shiraz.

Should you have any questions you may contact me at 503-539-2406.

Sincerely, Michael Alexander

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From:	Lurelle Robbins <havefreedom@earthlink.net></havefreedom@earthlink.net>
Sent:	Sunday, November 10, 2019 2:34 PM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Subject:	Support of Resolution. Urging our Federal Government to Engage in Diplomacy with Iran.
	November 13, 2019
Attachments:	httpsdocs.google.comdocumentd1NyWaM74mwM3rAXxvEdWm8Dxxv2MkcnP-
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Date: November 10, 2019

Sent via Clerk at cctestimony@portlandoregon.gov

To Mayor Ted Wheeler Comm. Chloe Eudaly Comm. Nick Fish Comm. Amanda Fritz Comm. JoAnne Hardesty

Dear Mayor and Commissioners:

I write representing the Democratic Party of Multnomah County in support of the resolution entitled "Urging our Federal Government to Engage in Diplomacy with Iran". This proposal is under consideration before the Council on November 13.

This resolution, brought forward by Oregon Physicians for Social Responsibility and the Iranian American Friendship Council, is in line with the philosophy of the county and state Democratic parties. Our party's state platform endorses a practice of putting diplomacy first and opposes those actions which seek to destabilize other nation states. Additionally, the Democratic Party of Oregon has held that the Trump Administration should not engage in any military action against Iran, without the consent and authorization of Congress (as per S. 1039/H.R. 2354).

Thus, we heartily support the resolution of these community organizations to emphasize the importance of diplomacy and to oppose actions destabilizing sovereign nations (e.g., sanctions) or any rush to war.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this important proposal.

Sincerely yours,

Lurelle Robbins, Chair The Democratic Party of Multnomah County

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From:	Blumenauer, Earl <earlblumenauer@mail.house.gov></earlblumenauer@mail.house.gov>
Sent:	Friday, November 8, 2019 8:38 AM
То:	Council Clerk – Testimony
Subject:	Letter of Support for Amanda Fritz's November 13 Resolutions
Attachments:	SKMBT_C36419110714100[1].pdf

Portland City Council,

I have attached a letter of support for two resolutions Commissioner Amanda Fritz is presenting on November 13, 2019. These resolutions are of deep importance and I would encourage you to adopt them.

Courage,

Earl Blumenauer Member of Congress



House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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November 7, 2019

Mayor Ted Wheeler Commissioner Amanda Fritz Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty Commissioner Nick Fish Commissioner Chloe Eudaly 1221 SW 4th Avenue, Room 110 Portland, OR 97204

Dear Members of Portland City Council,

I am proud to support the two resolutions, introduced by Commissioner Amanda Fritz, before you this November 13, 2019. It is imperative that we promote peace, support diplomacy, and improve global stability. Both resolutions express strong support for these important goals.

Currently, the United States is estimated to have more than 6,000 nuclear warheads. Not only are these weapons unconscionably expensive, they do not make Americans any safer. The United States alone possesses enough weapons to destroy the Earth, and they do not provide protection against the security threats we face today.

Throughout my career I have worked to reduce nuclear weapons at home, and promote nonproliferation abroad. This Congress, I reintroduced the Smarter Approaches to Nuclear Expenditures (SANE) Act, which would cut \$100 billion from the wasteful nuclear weapons budget. I also cosponsored the No First Use Act, which would prevent the president from launching a preemptive strike without first receiving a declaration of war from Congress.

These legislative efforts have been particularly important under the current administration. Each year, President Trump requests that Congress increase funding for our already-bloated nuclear weapons programs. He has also continued to needlessly escalate tensions with Iran. In 2018, he unilaterally withdrew the United States from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, better known as the Iran Nuclear Deal, despite Iran's continued compliance with its terms. At the same time, he has gutted the State Department budget and circumvented usual channels of diplomacy, setting non-proliferation efforts back decades.

Commissioner Fritz's resolutions are important to demonstrate support for de-escalation and diplomacy. Diplomatic solutions are possible and always preferable to war.

In the decades since 1945, we have made great strides in building a world where we solve our problems with diplomacy rather than war. We can, and we must, do more to further that goal. I encourage you to pass both resolutions introduced by Commissioner Fritz.

Courage Earl BL Member of Congress