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Dear Board Members for the Oregon Center for Public Policy,

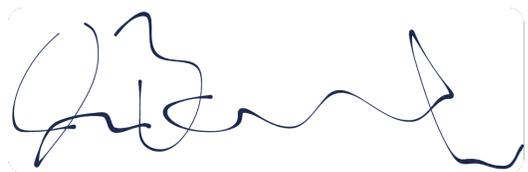
We are outreaching today because of your position posted for Executive Director. Our organizations over the past years have been committed to the mission and the research that the OCPP provides to our community and our law makers. We feel that a strong ED who both understands policy, politics and research would continue that valuable relationship. That's why we are encouraging you to consider Steve Novick as your new ED.

Steve brings a strong fundraising background, a novel and creative approach to public policy, has managed and led large research projects, and has a background in public outreach that we know will benefit the organization. Each of our organizations has a long history with Steve. For the last twenty years we have had a battle to raise sustainable revenue in the state and Steve's work on both Measures 66 & 67 to raise corporate taxes and taxes on wealthy individuals is just one of the many examples of the work that we feel like Steve can bring to OCPP.

He has long standing relationships with elected leaders and progressive community leaders from his work as an elected official and in the Democratic Caucus that will help both with outreach and fundraising. Steve also worked in two state agencies the Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority. Those relationships will help to foster the connections needed to carry out much of the work that OCPP is focused on. He brings a new and interesting prospective and has led policy efforts at the city on socially responsible investing and a tax on companies with outrageous CEO compensation. He has media relationships and a presence that can elevate the work that OCPP is already doing, and he has a show once a week already debating Lars Larson on topics ranging from education to fair scheduling. All of these relationships, skills, and experience make Steve well suited as the next ED of OCPP.

Our hope is the OCPP continues to be a leader in progressive economic research that is focused on the core issues in our state. We believe that Steve Novick's energetic and bullish go get 'em attitude along with his connections to key leadership in our state is what OCPP needs to be at the fore front of policy, politics and public engagement.

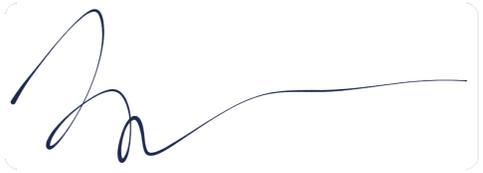
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