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GOVERNOR



January 4, 2023

Mike Marshall
via E-mail to: mike@oregonrecovers.org

RE: Task Force

Dear Mr. Marshall,

Recently the Governor's Office received information regarding a Facebook post you made in connection to an Oregonian who passed away. Upon review of the post, we believe it was insensitive, disrespectful, inappropriate, and in conflict with the goal of working collectively with all stakeholders to advance the critical work of the Task Force on Alcohol Pricing and Addiction Services.

In an effort to be transparent, Maya Crawford Peacock and I directly relayed these concerns and asked you to resign from the Task Force. We offered you the opportunity to nominate a different person from your organization to take your place on the Task Force. We understand that you have chosen not to resign or identify another person from Oregon Recovers to take your place, so I am writing to inform you that you are being removed from the Task Force effective immediately. We will be seeking a replacement from within the recovery community for the position you held.

We appreciate the advocacy of Oregon Recovers toward our shared objective of increasing access to reliable health information and treatment services to address and prevent substance use disorders. Given the Task Force's important mission and the short timeline to complete its work, it is imperative that Task Force members work together in a respectful and collaborative manner. Given recent events and the impact of your actions, your presence on the Task Force would be a distraction and run counter to the important, collaborative work that needs to be done to improve health outcomes for Oregonians.

Sincerely,

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