

## "Conservator of the Peace"

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Mr. Vice President,

I have been the Sheriff of Malheur County, Oregon since June 1, 2011. I was just elected to serve as Malheur County Sheriff for the next four years.

On January 7, 2013 I once again took an Oath to support the Constitution of the United States of America, and the Constitution of the State of Oregon. I take this oath very serious and will not be swayed in my commitment to the Constitution. I believe that the Constitution stands above all laws and executive orders of this Country.

I want to be very clear that no one employed on our team at the Malheur County Sheriff's Office will enforce or support any laws or executive orders that are not consistent with the Constitution of this great land.

My heart aches for the families and communities of those who have suffered from recent unthinkable criminal events. I have studied many active shooter cases. After the dust settles in each case we attempt to place a band aid on the problem rather than attempting to address the real cause that leads to these unthinkable acts.

If we do not understand the cause, we can not prevent it. I believe that the proposed changes are nothing more than a band aid placed on a bad wound.

I can not stand idly by while Constitutional Rights of the citizens of Malheur County are violated by any misguided governmental official.

Sheriff Brian E. Wolfe

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