



PCCEP Recommendation

Cover Letter

As approved on February 19, 2021

MEMBERS IN FAVOR

Votes 11-0

PCCEP Recommendation to initiate dialogue with Oregon's Elected Representatives to the United States House of Representatives to Amend the Federal "Qualified Immunity" Standard.

Thank you for elevating the issue of Federal Qualified Immunity to my office. I agree that the Federal Qualified Immunity doctrine must be reformed for law enforcement officers. There have been too many situations, across the nation, where law enforcement officers have committed violent criminal acts, without consequence, due to the protection of the doctrine. That is unacceptable.

Your recommendation was added to my 19 Point Police Reform Action Plan last year.

Reforming Federal Qualified Immunity was also included in both the City of Portland's 2021 State Legislative Agenda and 2021 Federal Legislative Agenda. Reforming the doctrine is an important aspect in improving police accountability. The Portland City Council is collectively committed to advocating for policies that help evolve community safety systems, to meet the needs and expectations of the public.

This recommendation is adopted.



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Adopted: _____

Mayor Wheeler

Date