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**Nurses, Firefighters and Classified Education Professionals Unite
Behind Dan Rayfield for Oregon Attorney General**

*Oregon frontline emergency responder unions agree: Rayfield is the right choice
to keep Oregon Healthy and Safe*

Corvallis, OR – Today, Dan Rayfield, candidate to be Oregon’s next Attorney General, proudly announces the endorsement of three prominent organizations representing frontline first responders and classified education professionals: the Oregon Nurses Association (ONA), the Oregon State Firefighters Council (OSFFC), and the Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA). These endorsements underscore Rayfield's unwavering commitment to public safety, healthcare, public education, and the well-being of all Oregonians.

The Oregon Nurses Association (ONA) was established in 1904 as the professional association for nurses in Oregon and has since grown to represent more than 17,000 nurses and healthcare professionals throughout the State. ONA is dedicated to advocating for the well-being of patients, nurses, and healthcare professionals, while ensuring compassion, respect, and dignity in Oregon's healthcare systems. ONA's core values of integrity, respect, mutual support, and professional excellence align closely with Rayfield's vision and record for a safer and healthier Oregon.

Nancy McMorris Adix, RN, PAC Board Chair for the Oregon Nurses Association stated, "We believe that Dan Rayfield is the right choice to be Oregon's next Attorney General, a role that requires a deep understanding of the legal issues surrounding healthcare in Oregon. Throughout his career, Dan has demonstrated a passion for improving healthcare for Oregonians, including the nurses and health professionals that make our healthcare system work. His commitment to quality healthcare and healthy communities is something that all Oregonians should be excited about."

The Oregon State Fire Fighters Council (OSFFC), founded in 1936, represents more than 47 International Association of Fire Fighter locals and more than 3,500 full-time, professional firefighters and other related services. Their mission is to preserve the health and safety of all Oregonians from fires, rescue situations and other emergencies, improve the health and safety of firefighters, and encourage the formation of local unions, sick and death benefits, and cultivate fellowship among members through legislation and education.

"We are proud to endorse Dan Rayfield for Oregon Attorney General," said Karl Koenig, President of the Oregon State Firefighters Council. "Dan's dedication to public safety and his strong record on issues that directly impact firefighters and first responders make him the ideal candidate for this crucial role. He has consistently advocated for the well-being of our communities and those who serve them."

The Oregon School Employees Association (OSEA), founded in 1938, represents more than 24,000 workers in Oregon schools, Head Starts, community colleges and other education programs. OSEA is a strong

advocate for fair wages, safe working conditions and excellent public schools, and the union recognizes the importance of strong leaders that will fight Oregon communities.

“OSEA is proud to endorse Dan Rayfield for attorney general. Our state needs a pro-worker, pro-safety attorney general who is willing to fight for all Oregonians,” said OSEA President Sarah Wofford. “Dan understands the critical role schools and education programs play in boosting the strength and prosperity of communities across the state. His commitment to fairness, safety, and excellence in our education system align with OSEA’s mission to lift up classified education professionals and the students we support.”

Dan Rayfield, who currently serves as Speaker of the Oregon House of Representatives, has garnered widespread support for his campaign. His endorsements include the Oregon AFL-CIO, Former Governors Kate Brown, Barbara Roberts, Ted Kulongoski, and John Kitzhaber, as well as Congresswomen Andrea Salinas and Suzanne Bonamici.

"I am deeply honored to receive the endorsements of the Oregon Nurses Association, Oregon State Fire Fighters Council, and Oregon School Employee Association," said Rayfield. "Frontline first responders and classified education professionals are vital to our community, playing essential roles in keeping our society safe, healthy, and well-educated. I am committed to working tirelessly to ensure their voices are heard and their needs are met as Oregon's next Attorney General."

As the campaign gains momentum, Dan Rayfield remains dedicated to engaging with communities across the state and sharing his vision for a safer, more equitable, and just Oregon.

For more information about Dan Rayfield and his campaign, please visit DanRayfield.com.

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