

Senator Brian Lenney
Nampa, Idaho
District 13

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Dear Residents of Idaho,

In light of recent events, it's become increasingly clear that our state stands at a critical juncture.

The remarks made by Mr. Robert Moyer on March 21, 2024, which wholeheartedly disparaged and belittled the people of Idaho, have not gone unnoticed. His comments, which characterized Idahoans in derogatory terms are deeply concerning and run counter to the values we cherish.

Mr. Moyer's statements, describing Idahoans with terms such as "hillbilly white trash people" and "rednecks," and making unfounded assertions about the role of race in our state, are not only hurtful but fundamentally misrepresent who we are as Idahoans. His assertion that being black "doesn't seem to work too well here" stands in stark opposition to our belief in the dignity and worth of every individual, regardless of skin color.

As a state senator representing the proud residents of Nampa, I stand firmly against any form of hate speech or ideology that seeks to divide us on the basis of race, ethnicity, or any other characteristic that makes each of us unique. Idaho is too great for hate; thus, I unequivocally condemn the divisive and derogatory comments made by Mr. Moyer. Such statements have no place in our community or in any society that values respect, equality, and the inherent dignity of all its members. I am committed to fostering an environment where every individual is valued and where we stand together against ideologies that seek to categorize individuals as less than or inferior.

In response to hate, let us unite with a stronger resolve to promote mutual respect. Let us demonstrate through our actions that Idaho embodies principles that are indeed too great for hate.

Together, we can confront and overcome the challenges before us, building a community that truly reflects our shared values of respect and equality for all.

With unwavering support,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Lenney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

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