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On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: HB2004

I am writing to you today to pass HB 2004 and support all ranked choice voting initiatives in our state. RCV will result in better choices for candidates in election, counter growing extremism and political violence enabled by the two-party system, and insure the stability of the Oregon government, political, and social system for years to come.

Opponents of RCV say it is too complicated, yet everybody has been able to answer the question "What are your top three flavors of ice cream?" since they were five. This is obviously a nonsensical argument. There is no good argument against RCV except that some other system, such as approval voting, may be considered better in some scenarios. But RCV is a step in the right direction and clearly better than what we currently have. It will enable all Oregonians and stakeholders in the legislative process to better have their voices heard and increase social buy-in to our political system when faith in government is at a historic and dangerous low.

Thank you for your time and consideration.