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The current two-party system of government does not allow for any real diversity of thought and certainly does not produce the best candidates for any partisan positions in government. The problem with this system is knowing that if you prefer a small party candidate, a vote for that candidate is simply a vote taken from either the Republican or Democratic party (whichever you most align with). This means that instead of voting for the best candidate, voting becomes a game of strategy and choosing a "minimally acceptable" candidate. A democratic voting process (like we have) should be about selecting the best candidate for the position in question, not the least offensive. Ranked choice voting provides a path for smaller parties to succeed and doesn't put votes at risk by immediately providing an advantage to parties a voter disagrees with.