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Voting by mail is a lifeline to democracy for the elderly and disabled. It's also vital to those who work long hours because election day is not a paid holiday as in other Western countries. If voting by mail is stripped from Oregonians, I'm a citizen who will lose my enfranchisement. Mobility and stamina issues make it difficult to do everyday activities, much less stand in line for extended periods.

I'm truly grateful that Oregon gives the gift of vote by mail to its citizens. I'm reminded every election day how much I love living in this extraordinary state where every voice is heard and measured. I plead with you to retain the long-held and valuable tradition of voting by mail. We're so fortunate to have it, and once it's gone we'll never get it back.