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I hope this reaches you in time. I am a disabled Oregonian, my brother is a disabled Oregonian, and our mother is an elderly Oregonian who lives in rural Oregon. We all count on mail-in voting to be able to vote. Please DO NOT do away with mail-in voting. I know others who are in the same boat, who count on mail-in voting to vote. Forced in-person voting would disenfranchise us and so many others across the state. Mail-in voting works and encourages people to vote. Forced in-person voting would devastate countless Oregonians and their ability to vote. It would be undemocratic to create barriers for voters like us, who are dedicated to participating in the democratic process. Mail-in voting is safe, effective, and it works. There is no cause to change this. Oregon was a pioneer in mail-in voting. Forced in-person voting would denigrate that legacy.

Please, please, please keep mail-in voting in place.

Thank you for your time and consideration.