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On Behalf Of:

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I completely oppose making in-person voting on the date of an election the standard method for conducting an election.

We are a two physician family who would not be able to vote if required to show up in person, on Election Day and wait in line.

The current system is a dream. The ballots show up in the mail. We fill them out and drop them off at a very conveniently located drop box.

Why would you try to change a process that allows more votes to be cast, more voices to be heard?

If anything, you should be investing in research to figure out what we need to do differently to make it easier for current non voters to vote. Let's get to 100% of eligible voters voting, rather than reducing voter turnout to 20% by requiring people to stand in line on one specific day.

If voter fraud is a legitimate concern, invest in emerging technologies to help identify irregular ballots. Don't spend more money on in person voting that nobody wants.

You serve the residents of Oregon, not the president of the United States.