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I Chloe Miller am strongly opposed to the abolition of our vote by mail system. The vote by mail system allows for voters who are home-bound, voters who have unreliable or no transportation available, and voters who are otherwise disenfranchised in our voting systems to have a better opportunity to make their vote count. Not only is it pivotal for our community members who need it as an accommodation for their ability to exercise their right as a citizen, but it is a convenience that allows our voters to ensure they vote when they have busy schedules or if they are in rural spaces. If you eliminate this at the pivotal time in our democracy where every vote is so much more important you will lose voters.

Mail in voting has been a safe, secure way for Oregonians to vote and our clerks have been diligent and just observers of our successful system. It is a system that has not been fraudulent and has built in checks for fraudulent ballots. There is no reason to remove it except to disenfranchise voters and intimidate citizens. We cannot remove this system. We need it to survive in our political climate, we need it to continue to support voters in our state.