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On Behalf Of:

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Dear Senate Committee,

Voting by mail is important for U.S. citizens because it increases accessibility, security, and participation in elections. Here are some key reasons why:

1. Convenience & Accessibility – Mail-in voting allows people who may have difficulty reaching a polling place—such as the elderly, disabled individuals, or those with work or family obligations—to participate in elections easily.

2. Encourages Higher Voter Turnout – By making voting more convenient, especially for those with busy schedules or in rural areas, mail-in ballots help ensure more people can make their voices heard.

3. Ensures Safety & Security – During emergencies, such as natural disasters or public health crises (e.g., the COVID-19 pandemic), mail-in voting provides a safe alternative to in-person voting.

4. Supports Military & Overseas Voters – U.S. citizens serving in the military or living abroad rely on mail-in ballots to participate in elections from anywhere in the world.

5. Reduces Long Lines & Crowding – By allowing people to vote from home, mail-in voting helps reduce congestion at polling places, leading to shorter wait times for those who choose to vote in person.

6. Provides a Paper Trail for Election Security – Mail-in ballots create a physical record of votes, which can be verified and recounted if needed, enhancing election security and integrity.

Overall, vote-by-mail strengthens democracy by making voting more accessible, secure, and efficient for all eligible citizens.

Above all voting by mail strengthens our DEMOCRACY!

Thank you for your time,
Diana Brown