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On Behalf Of:

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I am submitting this statement in opposition to SB210 that proposes to have Oregon return to only in-person voting. Our vote-by-mail system has been a great success since its implementation in 1981. It has resulted in easier access for those who have day jobs, young children, are physically challenged, or transportation-limited. I had concerns about it before it became a reality, but my hesitation was totally quelled when I realized how helpful it was in expanding the ability of so many more of our population to participate in the voting process.

I urge our legislators to strongly oppose this bill, as I view it as clearly an effort to suppress our voices via limiting our access. Thank you for considering my concerns.

Gratefully,
Rita B. Kiley