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Dear House Rules Committee,

On behalf of the NAACP Portland Branch and unrepresented minorities in Oregon, I am asking for a quick vote in support of HB 2729 to pass it out of committee and on to a full vote of the House.

Not only does the Electoral College disregard ideals of a fair and equal democracy, but its distribution of delegates greatly disadvantages communities of color.

We hope that on behalf of Oregon's marginalized groups of people, you will vote to include Oregon in the Interstate Compact for Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote.

Thank you for working to make Oregon a state where all voices are heard.

Sincerely,

Jo Ann Hardesty

President of the NAACP Portland Branch