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Senate Rules Committee OR

Dear Committee,

To the distinguished Members of the Oregon Senate Rules Committee:

I am Walter Mintkeski and have lived at 6815 SE 31st Ave, Portland, OR since 1975.

I urge you to pass HB 2927, the National Popular Vote. This reform legislation will ensure that presidential elections are decided by the majority: One person, one vote. This is the basic principle of American Democracy which is practiced in all our elections, except the Presidential Election.

As Electoral College votes are allocated now, the majority does not always prevail. Instead, the votes in a handful of "swing" states can determine an election. Since we do not live in a "swing" state, presidential candidates have no reason to try to earn our votes. I and most Oregonians are tired of being ignored in this way.

Therefore, I ask you to pass the bill outright, without amending it, referring it to voters, or any other diversion intended to block the bill, and to send it directly to the Senate floor for a vote.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony.

Sincerely,

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