

Rules Committee,

I was always taught to believe that every vote counts! But after the 2000 and 2016 elections I have come to believe that this is not true! The election results are in before Oregon polls close making our votes irrelevant. The Electoral College has also become obsolete and never more so than this last election in which Trump won the electoral but lost the popular vote by more than 3 million votes. The Electoral College no longer represents the will of the people but today it represents states where a majority votes for a particular candidate even though that is not borne out nationally! Our forefathers never foresaw an election where the overwhelming popular vote is ignored because too many of those voters live in the same group of states! All votes should count! Please vote to support the Popular Vote as the only vote to elect our President!

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