## Rules Committee,

I strongly urge you to support HB2927 for the National Popular Vote, with no amendments and no ballot referral. It is truly a national shame that the world's leading "democracy" has such a non democratic way of electing its President and Vice President. When I lived in Utah, I knew that my vote, as a Democrat, did not count. Now that I live in Oregon, I'm aware that the votes of my Republican co-residents don't count. Immense amounts of money and candidates' attention are spent in just a few battleground states -- approximately nine states, I believe -- with the other 41 or so almost completely ignored. Such a situation is neither fair nor healthy for our country. The electoral college made some sense back in the early days of our republic, when the 13 states really were closer to little nation states and mob rule was feared by the governing gentleman class. But those circumstances no longer apply. I urge you to support passage of HB2927.

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