Dear Committee,

It is important that Oregon finally join the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact. The winner-take-all system for awarding presidential electors, which is currently practiced by 48 or our 50 states, is nothing more than gerrymandering on a national scale, and <u>millions</u> of votes are disregarded in the process.

It would be ideal if all states chose their electors proportionally according to the vote within their states - only Nebraska and Maine are now doing this - but until <u>all</u> 50 states go back to doing this, as was the practice in our country until the early nineteenth century, there is no way to get a fair result in our presidential elections.

In the meantime, the National Popular Vote Interstate Compact is the best way to ensure that <u>every vote gets counted</u> - Republican votes in Oregon, as well as Democratic votes in Texas.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter.

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