

Dear Committee Members,

I am a League of Women Voters member and fortunate that both my House Representative Pam Marsh, and my Senator, Jeff Golden support the National Popular Vote for Oregon. The League has had a position since 1978 favoring getting rid of the Electoral College so that every vote for President can count equally. This is the best way we can achieve that goal in the 21st century without having to massively change laws. Currently the Electoral College consistently discards the 49% of voters when it gives all its votes to the 51%. That is just wrong. I will be very proud when Oregon joins the 37 other Legislative chambers who have committed to having all our votes matter to the Presidential candidates. As it is now they mainly campaign in the big "swing states", Ohio, Pennsylvania and Florida. The rest of us don't matter much with our current system. Reform is overdue.

Thank you for supporting SB870.

Sincerely,

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