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In recent years, the flames of division and distrust have torn a rift through communities in the United States and in America as a whole. People are strategically coerced to cast their votes more often than not in alignment with the social causes of one or the other party, which drags party messaging away from the managerial issues of government and toward a sort of hegemonic balkanization of social groups.

This has had devastating affects on the social and political landscape of this country and state. It is my belief as an Oregonian and American citizen that Rank Choice Voting will give constituents more granular power to make their voices heard on all the issues which matter to them, rather than just being swept along with the partisan tide because they at least partially agree with a small handful of key points.

I believe HB 2004 is the right thing for Oregon.