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Ranked choice voting is crucial for the diversity of political thought and the spread of new ideas in the state of Oregon and the country. As a registered nonpartisan, it pains me to waste my vote for the "lesser of two evils." Plurality voting doesn't accurately reflect the will of the people, nor does it give people options for how they wish to advocate for themselves. As we see an increase in third parties, non-affiliated voter registration, and speaking truth to power, it is beyond necessary that ranked choice voting become the new standard in Oregon. It's time for us voters to take voting seriously, but we can't do that if the process itself doesn't permit us to be serious.