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I am very excited to see Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) come to Oregon. We need this. Oregonians need this. RCV is simply a better process for determining the will of the people. RCV even makes the current system look like a bad system. We \*cannot\* determine who is the most popular candidate with the way we run elections, today, because citizens are not allowed to express their opinions; they have to make all the trade-off calculations before they vote, so we never get anyone's \*actual\* opinion about who is \*best\* to lead. In RCV, we can actually ask the question we want to ask, which is, "Of all ideas, which combination is the best \*and\* which is the worst?" \*That's\* what we want to know. \*That\* is how to choose our leaders. What we're doing now does not work.