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To Whom It May Concern:

Switching from mail-in ballots to in-person voting is a regressive step that undermines accessibility and fairness in the democratic process. For many people, especially those with disabilities, elderly citizens, or those living in remote areas, voting in person is simply not feasible. Mail-in ballots offer a more inclusive and convenient option, allowing everyone the opportunity to participate, regardless of their circumstances. Restricting voting to in-person only increases the risk of disenfranchising large segments of the population, particularly during times of crisis like a pandemic or the current political climate. Additionally, the argument that mail-in ballots are prone to fraud is largely unfounded; studies show that voter fraud is incredibly rare. Instead of restricting voting access, we should be focusing on making the process more accessible and secure for all voters.