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On Behalf Of:

Committee:

Senate Committee On Rules

Measure, Appointment or Topic:

SB1509

Ensuring that the will of the voters is accurately reflected in the electoral college is not a partisan issue, it is a matter of principle. Over 24 states have already passed, or are considering passing, similar legislation to ensure that electors faithfully execute their vote as directly by the voters of their state. It has support from legislators from all sides because it is about this principle.

As an elections worker for over 17 years, I have been proud of our state's vigorous system of fair and lawfully-conducted elections. I would not wish this record to be marred in any way by electors who choose not to faithfully represent our voters' will. By passing SB 1509, the Oregon Legislative Assembly would be protecting our state's voters, protecting the voice of our state, protecting our presidential electors, and helping protect our nation's democracy by reducing the chances that our presidential elections in 2028 or beyond could be overturned.

I urge you to vote this legislation out of committee and support its passage in this legislative session.

Thank you for taking this step to safeguard our state's voice in the election of the president of the United States.