

Dear Senator Flexer, Representative Fox, Ranking members Sampson and Mastrofrancesco, and distinguished Members of the Government Administration and Elections Committee,

I am writing this in favor of no-excuse absentee and early voting in Connecticut as proposed in JF58 and JF59. We should make it easier, not more difficult, to vote. Our democracy works best when as many people as possible can participate. And as proven in the 2020 election last November, no-excuse absentee voting can lead to record-breaking voter participation rates across the state.

In addition to making it easier to vote, we also need to ensure that the winning candidates better represent the will of the majority. That is why I am also asking you to support rank choice voting and and HB-5884.

Thank you for your consideration of these important voting and election reforms.

Sincerely,

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