North Dakota House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee North Dakota Legislative Assembly 600 E Boulevard Bismarck, ND 58505

January 27, 2025

Dear Chair and Members of the House Government and Veterans Affairs:

I write to urge you to **oppose HB 1297** – a bill relating to prohibiting approval voting and ranked-choice voting in elections.

I am one of over 30,000 Fargo citizens who supported approval voting in a special election. This is, clearly, the *will* of the *people*, rather than a preferance of nine representatives and two senators. Approval and ranked-choice voting in elections is a fair, transparent, and effective process.

Besides, a similar bill proposed during the last legislative cycle failed. Why resuscitate the obviously dead?

Vote DO NOT PASS on HB 1297.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Anastassiya Andrianova, teacher, mother, and concerned ND citizen District 11 - Fargo, ND