

Jerry Hanson: Vote: Our democracy needs your vote

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We must not allow a political party to be able to dictate to election clerks: who can vote, when they can vote, where they can vote, how early they can vote, and if they can vote absentee.

We can not allow a political party to dictate who will count the vote and in turn who will win the election.

We must not turn our elections and our government over to ambitious Republican politicians whom want to make it nearly impossible to vote by mail, reduce early voting and generally make it harder to vote in Wisconsin. Once a single political party gains control of our elections we no longer have a government of, by and for the people.

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People should not be made to jump through hoops to exercise their right to vote. It serves no legitimate purpose to restrict the locations of voting centers and making it more arduous to vote- by- mail. This does not reduce voter fraud, It only reduces participation in our Democracy.

After eroding voting rights the aim is to devalue public schools, degrade environmental protections and deny healthcare protections to women and those at risk because of a continuance of the COVID crisis.

This is not the “across the aisle”, people before party, government that Governor Tommy Thompson gave us.

Democracy is on the ballot.....VOTE.

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