

**My husband and I are in our 80s, and in the future we will probably rely on absentee ballots to cast our votes. Many other Ohioans already use this proven process to exercise their franchise. Because mail can be delayed, I believe that the window for accepting ballots that were mailed in time SHOULD NOT be reduced and, in fact, SHOULD BE extended. Disenfranchising those who rely on absentee ballots - often the elderly and the disabled - because of the speed of mail delivery makes a mockery of our democratic process.**