I ask you to vote against House Bill 680 which makes voting more difficult for Ohioans and obstructs democracy. It will hurt Republicans as well as Democrats. Republicans are as susceptible to Covid 19 as are Democrats. Children are also susceptible.

We need to make it easier for citizens to vote by mail rather than harder to protect Ohioans. Please support democracy by voting instead for Senate Bill 191 which allows voters to apply online for an absentee ballot. We also need to mail every voter an application to cast an absentee ballot and provide prepaid postage for both the application and the ballot, to incentivize vote-by-mail.

Instead, House Bill would reverse the long-standing, bipartisan practice of sending absentee ballot applications to all registered voters prior to major elections, while making voting-by-mail harder for everyone, including veterans serving overseas. It would tie the hands of the Secretary of State on how federal funding would most effectively be used. Finally, it would make responding nimbly to an emergency nearly impossible.

My hope is that you will be able to consider the good of the state and its citizens instead of voting against democracy, which will not serve your family and children and grandchildren in the long run.

Thank you, Nancy Pierce 3016 S. Rodehaver Rd. Guysville, Ohio 45735