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1 'I want direct control: one person, one vote'

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3 TEXT BODY:

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4 This year, Brattleboro has the opportunity to change the
5 way we vote on important matters which often impact the
6 budget, and by extension, our property taxes.

7 "Representative" Town Meeting clearly had an agenda
8 and not my interests (or the interest of many other tax-paying
9 property owners) in their sights. It is outdated in the context of
10 present times.

11 Australian ballot would allow each eligible person one
12 vote. I have been a Brattleboro resident for over 27 years and
13 certainly know enough people, having raised a daughter here. Yet
14 the ballot, which at times has fewer than 14 candidates to fill all
15 spots, has names on it I do not recognize, save two or three. And
16 of those few, I have no idea how they would vote, even if they
17 are “nice people.”

18 Very few can or do attend Representative Town Meeting.

19 I want direct control: one person, one vote. Please join
20 me on Tuesday, March 3 to vote to eliminate Representative Town
21 Meeting in favor of making decisions by Australian ballot.

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