March 15, 2023

Testimony to the House Elections Committee re HF 2486

Dear Chair Freiberg, Ranking Member Rep. Torkelson, and Members of the Committee:

As a Minnesotan who cares passionately about our state and the state of democracy in our nation, I strongly support Ranked Choice Voting.

It is not complicated, it encourages civility, it eliminates expensive run-offs, and most importantly, it will strengthen the vote of each voter!

With RCV our elected representatives will enjoy broader support. Our voices will be better heard at the ballot box.

We are all weary of wringing our hands about negative destructive partisan campaigning and now – there is something we can do about it!

RCV is better for both parties' candidates, in short, for all of us.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Carlson Nelson