

RESOLUTION: SUPPORT EQUAL ACCESS TO VOTING

BE IT RESOLVED: That the City DFL supports measures such as: early voting, automatic voter registration, and restoration of the Voting Rights Act of 1964; and opposes requirements which prevent equal accessibility to all sectors of the voting population.

BACKGROUND:

- Our democracy is undermined when elected officials only hear policy preferences of a few privileged groups at the expense of racial minorities and the poor.
- Early voting and automatic registration make it easier for people to vote. Government laws should make it easier for a person to cast their vote.
- The Voting Rights Act was designed to protect the voting rights of racial and language minorities. Specifically, the act prohibited voting practices and procedures that discriminated against minority voters.