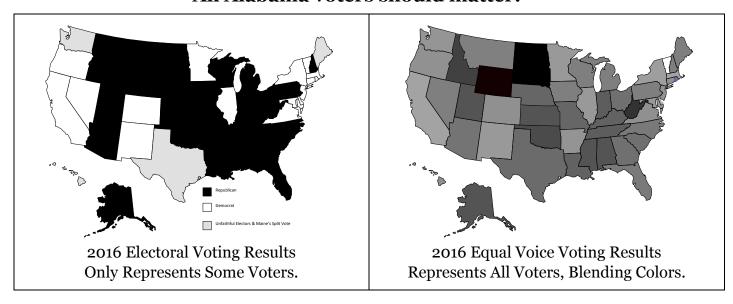
# Why Alabama should adopt Equal Voice Voting

http://www.equalvoicevoting.com



#### All Alabama voters should matter!



30.9% of eligible voters did not vote in 2016!

62.7% of eligible voters were NOT represented in the Electoral College in 2016! Only 37.3% of eligible voters were represented in the Electoral College in 2016! Simple Truth: It takes three registered voters to equal one viable presidential ballot!

#### **Equal Voice Voting Formula:**

- 1. Count the state's popular vote.
- 2. Determine Popular Vote Value (PVV). Divide the state's popular vote by the state's electoral votes (Alabama has nine).
- 3. Divide a candidate's state votes by the PVV to determine the number of electoral votes won.

### 2016 Example:

- 1. Alabama's popular vote = 2,123,372
- 2. 2,123,372 divided by 9 = 235,930 (Popular Vote Value)
- 3. Candidate votes divided by the PVV:
  - a. Clinton = 729,547 divided by 235,930 = 3.09 (adjusted to 3)
  - b. Trump = 1,318,255 divided by 235,930 = 5.59 (adjusted to 6)

Alabama had approximately 2,362,361 registered voters in 2016. Since Trump won the state's election with 1,318,255 votes, the remaining 1,044,106 registered voters were NOT represented in the Electoral College! Something must be done to correct the problem.

## **Equal Voice Voting will:**

- Abolish the winner-takes-all approach within the state.
- Provide total popular vote representation.
- Retain and respect the Electoral College.
- Not require a Constitutional amendment.
- Modify how Oregon translates popular votes into electoral votes.
- Encourage greater voter engagement.
- Be easy to implement (simple math).

Equal Voice Voting (EVV)				
	Pro		Con	
1.	Requires no constitutional amendment.	1.	Requires state legislators to serve all	
2.	Is easy to understand.		constituents beyond political party	
3.	Eliminates campaign focus on swing		loyalists for presidential elections.	
	states. Makes Oregon matter!			
4.	Can be adopted by individual states,			
	requiring no compact with others.			
5.	Aligns closely to the state's popular vote			
	results.			
6.	Adheres to the federalist form of			
	governance for each state.			
7.	Provides representation for every viable			
	candidate within each state.			
8.	Causes candidate campaigns to include			
	rural areas as well as population centers.			
9.	Encourages news media and political			
	parties to shape their rhetoric on actual			
	voting results.			
10	. Encourages citizens to vote (and be			
	counted) because their vote matters.			

National Popular Vote (NPV)				
Pro	Con			
1. Requires no constitutional amendment.	<ol> <li>Ignores our federalist form of governance, abusing individual state autonomy for presidential elections.</li> <li>Voter recount provision is not established.</li> <li>Causes campaign attention to focus on more populated states (Not Oregon).</li> <li>Magnifies the voting disparity between popular vote and Electoral College results.</li> <li>Could discourage voter turnout.</li> <li>Requires an interstate compact before it can be implemented.</li> <li>State withdrawal from the compact could cause NPV to be disrupted, negatively impacting other NPV compact states.</li> <li>Ignores the constitution admonishment to not form an interstate compact. (Article I, Section 10)</li> <li>May require U.S. Congressional approval before it can be enacted.</li> </ol>			