

# Vote Yes

for Instant Runoff Voting

# NOV. 3<sup>rd</sup>

## Ranked Ballot

Fill in the ovals by ranking candidates in order of preference.

	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice
Susan	①	②	③
Michael	①	②	③
Mary	①	②	③
David	①	②	③
Deborah	①	②	③

Support  
a Better  
Ballot!

**Saint Paul**

**IRV** **Better Ballot**  
**123** **Campaign**

*for Instant Runoff Voting*

*(also known as Ranked Choice Voting)*

# **IRV** It's as easy as 1 2 3

## **What's the problem?**

*Low turnout municipal primaries (JUST 5% in the 2007 St. Paul election!) and low plurality winners in state elections (just 42% in the US Senate race!)*

## **Why is IRV better?**

*IRV is a ranked ballot voting method that replaces the two-round runoff (primary-general) with one election.*

*How it works:*

- 1) Voters rank their candidates.*
- 2) In a single seat race, if no candidate receives a majority of first choices the candidate with the fewest votes is eliminated and those votes are redistributed to remaining candidates according to second and third preferences.*
- 3) All votes are re-tallied in each "instant runoff", until one candidate has a majority.*

## **Instant Runoff Voting leads to: Better Participation & Choice**

- No more low-turnout primaries*
- With only one election more voters get to choose from more candidates*

## **Better Representation**

- Assures winners with a majority of voter support*
- No more "spoiler" candidates or wasted votes*

## **Better Campaigns**

- Less mudslinging and more issues*
- Saves money and time*

## **How can you help?**

- Endorse the campaign*
- Sign up for our e-newsletter*
- Volunteer - see our website!*
- Spread the word - educate other voters*
- Write a letter to your community newspaper*
- Donate to the campaign*
- VOTE YES on your ballot on NOVEMBER 3rd*

**Vote YES  
Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>!**

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