

Voting Rights Five verses version

Tune: "Battle Hymn of the Republic" Lyrics by Vicki Ryder, Marguerite Coyle, Rebecca Alwin

We're the Raging Grannies and it's **turning** our hair gray
These legislative plots to take our **voting** rights away
Our **mothers** fought to vote and now we **fight** again today!
Not one step back! No way!

CHORUS: **Voting's** how we make our choices, **Voting's** how they hear our voices
We **want** a true democracy with **voting** rights for all!

They **want** to take us back in time when **owners** ruled the land
When **women**, blacks, and poor folks from the **voting** booths were banned
But **this** is our democracy and **this** is our demand:
Not one step back! No way!

CHORUS

They don't like early voting, but that is the only way
For some folks// to have a chance to vote and have their say
Manipulating voting's how they take our power away
Not one step back! No way!

CHORUS

These **laws** are hard for **students** in this **vote** suppression game
Don't you dare change **districts** or your voting rights are maimed
Married or divorced, don't lose the papers that **changed** your name
Not one step back! No way!

CHORUS

We've **got** to get together, young, old, **brown** and black and white,
The **unemployed** and union folks, and **work** with all our might,
To **show** these power brokers that we'll **fight** to use our rights.
Not one step back! No way!

CHORUS

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