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Regarding: Senate

Message:

I have recently seen the new "proposed" map for my current State Senate District #16. I live Highland Park, a suburb of Dallas. I believe that my State Senator should be someone who lives in the community or a similar community and understands the needs and concerns of his/her constituents and can effectively represent his/her constituents desires with regards to legislation that comes before the Senate. The current Senate district 16 encompasses not only my town but other urban, metropolitan communities with similar issues and concerns that are often unique to their urban location. I think it is common knowledge that urban communities often have very different concerns from rural communities. The new proposed map for district 16, which still includes my urban town along with our sister town University Park, Preston Hollow, and North Dallas, and a small sliver of northern urban towns, but now stretches north to include the much more rural towns in Denton and Wise counties while eliminating other urban DFW towns. I am not sure that the person who would be elected to represent this new district would, in fact, be able to effectively represent the different concerns of both urban and rural communities. Clearly this is a brazen attempt at partisan gerrymandering and creates a new Senate district that makes no sense, would pit the needs of urban residents against the needs of rural residents and place our representative into conflict regarding these differing needs. I strongly encourage you to maintain district 16 as an urban district so we can elect a Senator that can effectively represent the needs of urban communities. The new map would not allow that, and realistically, based on the wealth, power, and fund raising ability of the urban towns, the people who will be most adversely effected will likely be the rural residents in Denton and Wise counties. I would hope that you are also hearing from them, outraged their new district will likely be "controlled" by wealthy power brokers from Dallas with little regard for, or understanding of, their rural communities. This may a "win" for Republicans, but it is clearly a "loss" for the constituents of both communities.

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