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Message:

The Congressional map released by the Legislature (Plan C2101) is a racist disgrace to the state of Texas. It destroys the political viability of so many minority communities across the state so completely that the racial discrimination must be intentional. Such high levels of packing and cracking so precisely splitting up cohesive Hispanic and African American simply could not have happened unintentionally.

Specifically, Dallas County bore the brunt of such intentional racial discrimination. Consider the proposed District 6. The map splits Dallas County Precinct 4518 into District 6 away from Dallas County Precincts 4608 and 4609 which are to be put in District 33. This is a travesty because it splits Bear Creek, a traditionally African American freedman's community dating back to the 1850s, into two Congressional Districts. That continues the discrimination found under the existing map.

Ringling Congressional District 33 around the core of Irving is simply the punchline of a bad joke Senator Huffinan should have had the good sense never to tell. It makes no rational sense to peel off voters in such a narrow ribbon in a bizarre shape around Dallas County. I believe the intention of this map was to create a fake Hispanic opportunity district in a sham effort to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and simple common sense.

The racial breakdown of voting age population (VAP) for the proposed Congressional District 6 and several other Congressional reflects the same pattern—high, sometimes majority-minority, levels of black and Hispanic voters drawing in large rural areas that are majority white. These white rural areas provide enough Republican voting strength to make certain Congressional District 6 will remain comfortably Republican for years to come, the preferences of the 'cracked' Hispanic voters in Dallas County be damned. I freely admit not to be an attorney, but one doesn't need a Juris Doctor to determine that the walking, flapping, and quacking from this map originates from a duck of racially discriminatory intent.

Fortunately, one map submitted already artfully fixes the bias and incompetence of Plan C2101. Plan C2102 preserves communities of interest, has geographically compact and contiguous districts, is free of racial bias, and simply makes common sense. The Legislature should drop its map and use this one. Legislators would do well to ask the author to take a crack at drawing the State Senate, State House of Representatives, and State Board of

Education maps as well.

