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**From:** applications.administrator@capitol.local  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 25, 2021 11:15 AM  
**To:** Senate Redistricting  
**Subject:** INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

Date: 2021-02-25

First Name: Matt

Last Name: Bucher

Title: N/A

Organization: Self

Address: [REDACTED]

City: Austin

State: TX

Zipcode: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: ALL

Message:

My neighborhood deserves better. I live in Wells Branch, mostly unincorporated Travis County. And yet our representative in Congress lives in Waco or College Station. Those are not my neighbors, not a jury of my peers. There's no question why that little sliver of district expands down into Travis County: to disenfranchise me and my neighbors. It's a hateful, spiteful decision that has no place in a representative democracy. Are these the values we want to perpetuate? Power trumps everything? If someone disagrees with you, just disenfranchise them politically? No other country on earth gerrymanders their citizens the way we do. Please take a rational approach and let an algorithm decide, let a committee of math professors decide, but please do not use redistricting as a long-term bludgeon against me and my neighbors any longer. We deserve to be represented in our government at a minimum.