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Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input
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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

I live in Austin, Travis County, Texas. Austin is the fourth largest city and Travis County is the fifth-most populated in the state. Travis County has historically voted for Democrats in state, local, and federal elections. I am saddened and appalled by the proposed redistricting map and how it effectively prohibits the citizens who reside in Travis County from electing leaders who have values and goals reflective of those citizens. As you know, this proposed map (as well as the current map) carves up this highly populated county so that, with the exception of Lloyd Doggett, no U.S. Representative represents or advocates for the interests of the county's residents. To the contrary, the multiple Representatives that claim most Travis County residents as their constituents vote AGAINST these constituents' values and interests time and time again. Do we not want a governmental body that encompasses the diverse views and opinions of the many citizens of this nation? Doesn't such a diverse government body help ensure the basic tenets of a healthy democracy, including fair representation and government accountability? Do we not want all citizens of this state to know that their vote counts and that they are an important part of the democratic process? If so, this proposed map needs to be scrapped and redrawn. If not, God help us.

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