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Let me be clear from the start: I'm strongly against any effort to further gerrymander Texas. It's already a problem—and doubling down on bad, undemocratic map-making is not the solution. I urge the committee to REJECT these maps and commit to a fair, transparent redistricting process

Gerrymandering isn't just undemocratic—it's a disservice to every constituent, regardless of party. When a single district stretches across hundreds of miles and lumps together communities with nothing in common—economically, culturally, or geographically—it's not about representation. It's about political self-preservation.

These sprawling, nonsensical districts make it nearly impossible for representatives to stay connected to their communities, let alone attend town halls or understand local needs. How can they meaningfully engage when their "community" is scattered across half the state? Are we really expecting them to hold relevant, local conversations with people hundreds of miles apart? When it takes a full tank of gas, two long audiobooks, and a snack just to drive across a district, that's not representation—that's logistical absurdity.

Yes, redistricting is complex—but let's not pretend splitting up communities of interest is accidental. It's strategic. And it erodes public trust in our political system. And let's be honest: these lines aren't just messy—they're engineered. Carefully drawn to dilute the voices of Texans—especially communities of color and politically active areas—and to protect

those already in power. The result? Voters feel unheard, unseen, and unimportant.

Texans—urban, rural, and everywhere in between—deserve fair maps that reflect real communities, foster accountability, and make geographic sense. We deserve representatives who can show up, listen, and lead. Democracy should never be a long-distance relationship. It's time to stop playing political games with the people's voice.

