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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

As a native Austinite and Texan I have never been more angry and ashamed of the leadership of this state. This is a blatant power grab by our president - the likes we have probably never seen before - and I am ashamed of the cowardice of our Governor. When Trump asks our leadership in this state to jump, their only question is "how high?" Of course, it's not shocking to me that politicians wield their power in ways that is corrupt. What does shock me though is the bending of the knee, so quickly, and without question. When has Texas ever bowed down and done the bidding of the federal government? Our history is etched with "Come and Take It" and "Don't Mess with Texas." Even if our leadership agrees with this redistricting scheme - your responsibility is to your constituents. You represent them as their voice in that pink dome. Even when the state Legislature did everything in their power to remove any form of accessibility to these hearings as well as dropping a proposed map the day before the public hearing on the map is supposed to start, a vast majority of Texans came out and said: this is not what we want! Texans want real, meaningful change and improvements to our failing public schools, expanding Medicare access, proper disaster relief and so many other issues that diminish our ability to live flourishing lives. This is gerrymandering, plain and simple. You are slicing and dicing districts that have built a sense of community together without any sort of meaningful thought on what that means for the people living there. It's clear that the Republican members of this body, as well as our state leadership do not care what Texans have to say - only to do Trump's bidding. Sooner or later, you will look back and realize you stood on the wrong side of history - and history will not judge you kindly.

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