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To the Members of the Texas Senate:

I submit this comment in strong opposition to the proposed redistricting maps being considered during this special session.

Let's be clear: the only reason redistricting is even on the table right now is because the Department of Justice—under the Trump administration—conveniently declared the 2020 Texas map unconstitutional, citing it was based on race. That declaration, in my view, was nothing more than a political ploy to open the door for redistricting ahead of the 2026 midterms. And now, just as conveniently, the Texas legislature has seized that opportunity to redraw the lines—not to correct racial injustice, but to deepen partisan control.

What makes this process so offensive is the double-talk. On one hand, Texas is in federal court arguing the 2020 map wasn't race-based, defending it as legal and fair. On the other hand, you're now working hand-in-glove with the DOJ, claiming redistricting is necessary precisely because the map was race-based. That contradiction alone should disqualify this entire process.

The proposed maps go even further than before, eliminating so-called "scrap districts" and slicing up deep blue, urban, and minority-heavy areas—diluting the voice of Texans who already face underrepresentation. This isn't

democracy. It's manipulation & disenfranchisement.

President Trump said plainly that he "needs five more seats" in Texas. That's what this is about: not fairness, not legality, not representation—but raw political power.

Texans deserve maps that reflect our communities, not ones engineered to serve political agendas. I urge you to reject this effort to disenfranchise millions of Texans for the sake of partisan gain. The world is watching.

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