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Message:

On Friday, Aug 1, Trump fired US Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) commissioner Erika McEntarfer simply because she reported facts he did not like. That is the behavior of a petty ruler who does not fear accountability for his actions. And your effort to further gerrymander Texas will metastasize this sense of invulnerability and lack of accountability at the top of the Federal and State government. To be clear, this firing of the BLS commissioner is bad for Texas and bad for America, as it undermines faith in our basic institutions and economic data - and it is symptomatic of a ruling class that feels insulated and all too comfortable acting in their own self-interest rather than for the good of the people they are supposed to represent.

And that is why Trump has ordered you to cook up five new Republican seats: to protect him from any accountability. This is not an argument based on any ideology or democratic principles. It is a pure partisan power grab - and will allow the leaders at the top to indulge their worst impulses. Trump is already acting like a dictator, and you know he is willing to discard or destroy anything and anybody to advance his own craven self-interest. If you vote to advance this partisan gerrymandering plan, voting against precedent and against the will of the majority, then your fate and reputation and your legacy will be inextricably tied to Trump, and that is a fate you do not want.

If you want to preserve your reputation, to be an example for fairness and just governance, to show courage in the face of obvious corruption, then you need to vote against this redistricting bill.