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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

I'm writing to urge you to oppose the current push for off-cycle congressional redistricting in Texas, which is being driven by partisan motives to give Republicans up to five or more additional U.S. House seats.

1. This is not routine redistricting. Redrawing congressional maps mid-decade—outside of the once-every-10-years post-census cycle—is unusual and lacks democratic legitimacy. In Texas, redistricting has traditionally occurred only once per decade.

2. The map is already tilted. Under the 2021 map, Republicans hold 25 out of 38 seats—about 66%—despite winning only around 56–58% of the statewide vote. This was already heavily criticized as a partisan gerrymander.

3. Proposed changes threaten minority communities' voting power. Targeted districts like TX-18 and TX-35 serve significant Black and Hispanic populations. Critics say the new maps would “crack” those communities to dilute their influence.

4. Legal and political risks abound. Similar 2021 maps were challenged under the Voting Rights Act. Courts are already reviewing redistricting lawsuits in Texas. Accelerating the process now could lead to costly litigation, disruptions, and further undermined trust.

5. Distraction from urgent statewide priorities. The legislature is currently focused on flood relief and disaster recovery following terrible storms that claimed over 130 lives. Redirecting attention to partisan map-making ignores citizen needs.

Please stand for genuine, equitable representation—  
not premature manipulation of district boundaries  
for party advantage.

