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This is a copy of remarks submitted electronically to the Texas House Committee on Redistricting at the hearing held in Arlington, TX in the last week of July. "District Analyses are always accompanied by ethnic population number breakdown. The use of race in the redistricting process is a hangover from the past. What is race anyway? My grand niece in Texas is 3/8 descended from slaves of African ancestry but is 5/8 Anglo. But what is so Anglo-Saxon about her Native-American, German, Irish, Italian, French, as well as English ancestors. She is AMERICAN! WE ARE ONE HUMAN RACE! What is the origin of Hispanic as a separate class? One niece has a husband born in Honduras but adopted with a so-called Anglo name who is a veteran with American citizenship. Texas has a self-identified mestizo Congressman, who is classified as Hispanic. An Argentinian immigrant who speaks Spanish of Italian-German ancestry would be classified as Hispanic. The definitions are in Public Law 94-311 from 1967. Congress needs to repeal or alter this law. But what is Spanish ancestry anyway? Spain is some mixture of Celtic, Basque, Carthaginian, Roman, Visigoth, Arab, Moor, French, Italian and other ancestry? Why is the law trying to create separate ethnic classes of people? I believe that whatever the tribal antecedents of race designations may have been at one time, now is the time to drop the divisive nonsense pushed by the far left that seeks to implement ethnic division as a Marcusian substitute for Marxist class division. The left is using ethnicity as a tool to foment socialist and communist rebellion. America is a melting pot of people from the entire world who hold to basic principles of religious freedom, selfreliance, free markets, and self-governance as embodied in our founding documents. My suburban middle-class Harris County neighborhood welcomes all ethnicities. We all live peacefully together. I attended the public hearing in Houston. The state legislators and Congressional Representatives who claimed that redistricting would be racist should be ashamed of themselves. One of those representatives has tried to impeach President Trump in every Congressional term. We Republicans know that if the Socialists gain control of Congress that another impeachment is likely. The left has already manipulated districts in their favor in California, Illinois, and New York. We must save this country and answer in kind. I urge you, in your redistricting, to analyze the precinct-by-precinct partisan voting patterns and district contiguity as the sole criteria in your redistricting efforts, and to try not to put two sitting Congressional representatives of the same party into the same district. This created problems in the last redistricting effort. One final note, any who claims that Republican districts are racist need only look at Representatives: De La Cruz, Flores, Gonzalez, and Hunt. Or look at Republican Senator Cruz, or Republican national committeeman Armstrong. No, there is no racism in the Republican Party. These are LIES fomented by the

left. We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal..."

The above was written BEFORE the new maps were available for public comment. I am in favor of the new map presented by Representative Hunteras HB 4.