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Message:

To Whom It May Concern:

I am the Texas State Political Coordinator for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, 7th District and I am appalled that Texas is being sacrificed because of political cowardice. We do not bend the knee to anyone and certainly not to benefit the power hungry. We deserve better.

I am writing today to express my deep concern for the consideration of House Bill 4 and my even deeper disdain for its potential passage. I am fully against this bill as is the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. I stand strongly against its intended outcome of partisan gerrymandering and the silencing of our communities.

The proposed maps dissolve the voices of the black and brown communities. Corpus Christi is my home, and our neighborhoods are drawn across my soul. So, when I see lines the slice and dice the oldest and historically black neighborhood, predominately impoverished black and brown neighbors redistributed into communities that do not share cultural sameness, social economic understanding, or even an HEB, bigger questions become loud. These communities do not share comparable voting patterns both in turnout and partisan lean. It is clear the intent is to bury the voices of these black and brown, working people into a sea of red.

The powers that be are threatening the existence of our democracy. No lawmaker could possibly be this stupid and so it must be intentional. If the House continues towards their aim of handing over our local power, this move to gerrymander Texas to feed the insatiable appetite of Washington corruption will be but another brick in the burial chamber of American Democracy.

The maps the House seeks to change were created by the same people that wish to destroy them now. There are no valid reasons for their change. The only change that has happened is the further shrinking courage of our lawmakers against a tyrannical takeover. You can gaslight yourself about how and why this is happening, but you will not fool us, the workers, the middle class, the people. But make no mistake, we will remember what happens here.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Ellis

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