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Message:

Dear Members of the Texas Legislature,

I'm writing as a frustrated and deeply concerned Texan. The potential redrawing of our congressional districts during this special session is not just politically transparent, it's insulting to every person in this state who still believes in fair representation.

In 2024, Republicans received about 58 percent of the vote statewide. Democrats got around 40 percent. But Republicans hold 25 out of 38 congressional seats, which is nearly two-thirds. That isn't representation. That's control. And now you want to redraw the maps again, middecade, to stretch that gap even further?

What you're doing is telling millions of Texans that their vote will never matter as much as someone else's. That if we don't vote for the right party, our communities will be sliced apart and shoved into districts designed to drown us out. That is not leadership. That is a power grab.

Let's not pretend this is unique to Texas. California is openly considering redistricting on its own terms to try and add more blue seats in response to what is happening here. If we go down this path, it sets off a chain reaction. We're already watching democracy get chipped away nationally, and now we're throwing gasoline on it. That's the future you're building. A future where no side has to earn votes anymore, just outmaneuver the other one through backdoor deals and partisan maps.

This session was supposed to be about flood relief. About helping Texans recover from real, immediate problems. And you want to hijack it to jam through new congressional boundaries that no one asked for and that benefit only one party. It's dishonest, it's self-serving, and it does nothing to improve the lives of the people who sent you to office. It is honestly using the deaths of CHILDREN to further your own political goals and I am so disappointed that y'all would disrespect their memory like that

You represent all Texans. Not just the ones who vote for you. Not just the ones who attend your fundraisers. Every voter deserves the dignity of knowing their voice matters, and that means drawing districts fairly, openly, and based on the actual population, not political calculation.

We're tired of being treated like pawns. We're tired of watching elected officials game the system. If you want to show you still work for the people, walk away from this redistricting scheme and use this session to do the job you were called here to do.

Texas deserves real leadership. Not manipulation.

Sincerely.

A mom, a wife, a small business owner, and a Texas hoping for better from our representative.