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## Message:

As a resident and community advocate in El Paso, Texas, I've witnessed firsthand how redistricting has reshaped not just political lines, but the very sense of connection and representation our communities feel toward their elected officials. While redistricting is a legal requirement to reflect population changes, its implementation in El Paso has left many of us feeling unheard, fragmented, and uncertain about the future of our civic voice.

El Paso has been a region defined by its cultural strength, military presence, and deep community ties for generations. But recent redistricting efforts have split historically unified neighborhoods, separating families from schools, voters from trusted representation, and local leaders from the constituents they know best. In some cases, entire communities have been divided across multiple districts, making it harder to advocate for our shared needs and weakening the power of our collective voice, particularly among Hispanic and working-class residents.

This isn't just about politics. It's about fairness, access, and trust. When people no longer know who represents them—or feel that their representative doesn't fully understand their daily challenges—it becomes harder to engage, vote, and believe that change is possible. We're seeing that in El Paso now.

I urge you, as members of the Texas Senate, to recognize the human impact of redistricting. I ask that you support measures that promote transparency, protect against gerrymandering, and ensure compliance with the Voting Rights Act. Most importantly, I ask that you listen to the voices of ordinary citizens in places like El Paso who simply want to be represented fairly and fully.

Our democracy is strongest when all communities have an equal seat at the table. El Paso deserves no less.