

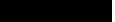


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Message:

As a proud and deeply concerned citizen of Texas, I very strongly oppose the Congressional attempts to redraw legislative districts in a way that undermines fair representation. The practice of illegal gerrymandering poses a direct threat to the integrity of our democracy and to the foundational principle that every Texan's voice and vote should count equally. It is our right as citizens of this state to have elected officials in office who reflect our ideals, share our morals, and represent our ideologies.

The cities being targeted are the major financial backbone of our state of Texas, and the state is threatening to strip the citizens of their rights, their fair representation because the members of the Texas Legislature are unable to provide representation. If the representatives and members of the Texas Legislature are unable to provide representation of the people and are unable to align themselves to the needs of the citizens, then they need to remove themselves from occupying public service. NOT redraw district lines so the people are unable to vote them out.

Redistricting should never be used as a tool to consolidate power or silence communities. Unfortunately, past efforts in Texas have demonstrated clear patterns of partisan and racial gerrymandering. These are tactics that are violating both federal law and the core values of a free democracy. These manipulations erode public trust in our government and strip power away from the very people elected officials are supposed to serve.

I call on each member of the Texas Legislature and the redistricting committees to reject any maps or proposals that disenfranchise voters, dilute community voices, or defy the decisions made by constituents at the ballot box. Our representatives have a duty to serve with integrity, not to rig the system in their favor.

I urge this body to prioritize transparency, fairness, and accountability throughout this process and to commit to maps that reflect the

true makeup and will of the people of Texas. Anything less is not only an injustice, it's unconstitutional. Texas belongs to ALL the citizens and people of Texas, not just to those in power at the top.

