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Regarding: Congressional

Message:
Dear Texas Representatives,

I live in McKinney, TX and I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed redistricting plans that have recently resurfaced in the Texas Legislature. I am especially alarmed by efforts to redraw congressional maps in a way that not only appears to serve hyper-partisan interests but also disproportionately targets Black and Hispanic majority districts.

Even the U.S. Department of Justice indicate that this redistricting proposal may violate the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause by diluting the voting power of communities of color in Houston, Fort Worth, and other diverse urban areas. Drawing maps to weaken the influence of historically underrepresented populations is not only unjust but unconstitutional, as past rulings like Bush v. Vera and LULAC v. Perry have shown.

The DOJ itself has raised concerns about the racial basis of the proposed changes, suggesting that race was used as a predominant factor in crafting at least four districts, contradicting earlier claims that race played no role. The fact that these districts have long been represented by people of color and are now being reshaped to favor partisan gains raises profound ethical and legal concerns.

I urge you to publicly oppose any redistricting plan that weakens minority representation. To support an independent, transparent redistricting process. To uphold the principles of fairness, equal representation, and racial justice in our democratic institutions. Texas representatives should work to ensure that all Texans are heard and represented, not just the ones that President Trump believes agreeable.

Please preserve the integrity of our democratic process, ensuring that every Texan, regardless of race or zip code, has an equal voice in our government.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Russell
McKinney, TX