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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

I am commenting to voice my strong opposition to redistricting Plan C2308.

I currently live in Congressional District 35, one of the districts that will be gutted under this new plan. My district currently stretches from Austin, where I live, to San Antonio. Under the new plan, TX-35 will instead stretch all the way to Port Aransas, four hours away from my home. This is so absurd that it would be laughable if it weren't also incredibly serious. There is no way that my representative could ever have enough of an idea of what's happening both in East Austin and Port Aransas to represent us both.

Beyond my specific district, this entire process is shameful. Texas last redrew its maps 4 years ago, and those maps are still mired in controversy that hasn't been fully litigated. In fact, Texas has drawn disputed maps every single decade since the Voting Rights Act was passed. If we can't get these maps right on a normal cycle during a 140-day legislative session, why in the world would we think we could push through a rush job in a 30-day special session with limited deliberation and minimal transparency?

These maps put partisanship and the President's misguided opinions over the needs of Texans. I call on this committee to reject Plan C2308 and further attempts to redraw districts until at minimum it's been determined whether our 2021 maps are constitutional or not.

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