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To the Members of the Texas State House Select Committee on Congressional Redistricting:

I write as a concerned constituent of Harris County to respectfully urge that the congressional district boundaries drawn for Harris County reflect the actual results of the November 5, 2024 U.S. House elections in our region. According to the official statewide data, Republicans won approximately 58.41 % of the total vote in Texas for U.S. House seats, while Democrats received 40.39 %, resulting in a 25-to-13 split in House representation across the state (University of Houston).

Within Harris County itself, the Democratic Party performed notably better in several key districts. For example:

In District 18 (central Houston with heavily Black and Latino communities), Democrat Erica Lee Carter won the special election with 67.9 % of the vote (vs. 22.2 % for the primary Republican) (Wikipedia).

In District 29 (northern and southeastern Houston Latino areas), Democrat Sylvia Garcia secured 65.3 % of the vote to 34.7 % for the Republican (Wikipedia).

Meanwhile, in suburban District 2, Republican Dan Crenshaw carried Harris County with 61.6 % to the Democrat's 38.4 % (Axios).

And in District 8, Republican Morgan Luttrell garnered 50.6 % in Harris County versus the Democrat's 49.4 % (abc13.com).

These results clearly show that Harris County is politically diverse: urban districts strongly lean Democratic, while suburban areas lean Republican. The current statewide House delegation split of Republicans 25–to–Democrats 13 does not necessarily reflect uniform partisan support within Harris County—but the committee should consider that within the county, Democrats won at least two core seats decisively, while Republicans hold others.

Therefore, the redistricting plan for Harris County should be designed so that:

Strong Democratic areas such as Districts 18 and 29 remain intact, giving Democratic voters fair and effective voice.

Republican-leaning suburban areas (e.g. District 2, District 8-portion) remain competitive or safe for Republican representation.

The overall county delegation mirrors the mix of districts that corresponds to actual partisanship expressed in the 2024 elections, rather than artificially diluting either party's voters for partisan advantage.

Such an approach would respect the democratic principle that "representation should mirror the electorate," not as a statewide target, but reflective of the local distribution of votes in Harris County.

In sum: I respectfully urge the committee to ensure that Harris County's congressional map reflects the 2024 vote distribution—preserving strongly Democratic districts where they were electorally clear, and similarly preserving Republican-leaning districts—rather than packing or cracking communities to advance partisan control.

Thank you for your consideration of fair and honest representation rooted in the actual vote totals.