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Message:

As a concerned resident of Texas, I strongly oppose the redistricting plan currently under consideration by the Senate Special Committee on Congressional Redistricting. The proposed maps appear to dilute the voting power of minority communities and undermine the foundational principles of fair and representative democracy.

Redistricting should reflect the true demographic and geographic diversity of our state-not serve partisan interests. Texans are fully aware that these maps are designed to entrench Republican power. The current congressional map, drawn by the Republican-led Legislature in 2021, already secured 25 of the state's 38 seats for Republicans. The newly proposed maps aim to expand this advantage even further, potentially adding five more Republican-leaning districts.

Equally troubling is the failure of these maps to reflect the demographic realities of Texas. Communities of color have driven the state's population growth, yet the proposed districts do not proportionally represent this shift. For example, despite Latino and white populations being nearly equal in 2020, the state created 23 white-majority districts and only 7 Latino-majority districts.

This imbalance is not only unjust, it is unconstitutional.

Texans deserve a redistricting process that is transparent, equitable, and inclusive of public input. I urge the committee to reject these maps and instead adopt a plan that empowers all communities, honors our state's diversity, and upholds the values of our democracy.

Sincerely, Melissa Ramos 37th Congressional District of Texas Austin, TX