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Message:

I live in Congressional District 37, TX Senate District 14 and I oppose the current attempt to redistrict Congress mid-census.

Of the 18 items in the Special Session agenda, you chose to prioritize a topic that does not help Texans at all.

What Texans need right now is legislation focused on disaster relief and prevention. It adds insult to injury that the call came as an imposition from the White House and DOJ as an attempt to further disenfranchise communities of color. This is a blatant attack on section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

If you are so determined to talk about redistricting, I urge you to leave our current maps alone but focus on improving the process ahead of the 2030 census. For instance, you could advance SJR 3, the senate joint resolution that proposes an amendment to establish an independent redistricting commission.

Do you know what kind of map that might be useful for Texans right now? We could really use an updated flood plan map and strong rules to stop development in flood zones. Or a map of areas that need warning systems, like sirens.

But I digress!

What matters the most is that virtually nobody in Texas wants redistricting right now. And you are proceeding with this anyway, when you could easily have chosen not to.

It is not acceptable that we have not seen your proposed maps.

It is not acceptable that the districts called by the DOJ are minority districts that you plan to break up. That is racial gerrymandering!

It is not acceptable that we have a district in the DOJ hit list still without representation because the Governor refused to call a timely special election after the passing of Congressman Turner.

I urge you to choose what is good for Texas, to oppose this undemocratic mid-decade redistricting and to prioritize disaster prevention hearings.