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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

Dear Special Committee on Congressional Redistricting – My husband and I are staunch conservatives, and suffered for almost 30 years in the district of Al Greene, an outspoken and underperforming liberal. When we retired in 2013, we decided to move, and chose our “forever home” in the conservative congressional district 22, looking forward to finally having our positions actually represented in the US House of Representatives in our golden years. We were delighted with Troy Nehls, who we lobbied for. Based on the 2020 census, district 22 and district 7 were radically re-drawn in a crazy-quilt of weird shapes, and our new address was back in a liberal district, now number 7. We invested a LOT in our home, and made the conscious decision to relocate where we could get better representation.

We support the idea of mid-census redistricting in order to better represent conservatives.

We feel that the process of redrawing, if it occurs, should be much more transparent than the 2011 redistricting. All maps should show clearly labeled district numbers, and all maps should show major roads and county lines for easier orientation, and all maps should include a 50% transparent overlay layer that can be switched on and off illustrating the current district boundaries for full awareness of how all geographies will be affected if the map is adopted. Online location of the maps should be broadly communicated to all congressional members for their constituents, and on all applicable government websites.

We also recognize that many citizens may feel disenfranchised when lines are arbitrarily redrawn, and we would support legislation that would give all home-owners affected by any redistricting the option of declaring whether they wanted to be counted as members of their prior district, or as members of their new redrawn district.

Thank you for your consideration—
Sylvia Rappenecker, District 7

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