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Message:

All Texans have a strong sense of independence, regardless of political affiliation. So why are Greg Abbot and the republican representatives ceding that independence to the white house and Donald Trump? Trump expressly stated the reason to redraw the voting districts in Texas is to ensure continued republican control of the the US House by adding up to 5 safe republican districts. Rather than allowing sitting members to make a case to voters why they should be reelected, Abbot and State reps decided to follow Trump's directive.

In addition to that blatant plan to grab power, redistricting to reduce minority voting power is a racist action harkening back to illegal voter suppression tactics of the past. Texas leaders claim there is equity and representation in this state, but expressly holding open a vacant district for nearly a year until new districts are drawn is not an example of equity and fairness. Additionally, the US DOJ is suing Texas stating the current maps are racist and Ken Paxton claims the are not. If they are racist, why redraw the maps to further reduce minority representation rather than keep them

as is or increase minority representation to match the 2020 census? If the current maps are not racist, why redraw at all?

To members of this committee, and all other members of the State Congress, please show some Texas independence and integrity and vote not to change the voting maps until the next census. One of the lessons I learned as a child was "just because you can do a thing, doesn't mean you should do that thing." You all should follow our grandparents' advice.

