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Regarding: Senate

Message:

Dear Senator Joan Huffman,

Last week, the Senate Redistricting Committee completed a virtual meeting exclusive to East Texas, and after registering, I was able to speak candidly online to the Chair and those other senators who attended concerning the US Census and subsequent redistricting matters.

At the close of my comments, I mentioned that as much as I was grateful for the virtual meeting, I asked that both the House and Senate Redistricting Committees schedule physical

meeting(s) in East Texas as a means to understand the consensus of people in the Pineywoods concerning past redistricting, profound negative, industrial impacts the past two decades in Angelina and surrounding counties, and the people's concerns, frustrations, and their vision for our future.

I also mentioned that rural East Texas has limited broadband internet access; thus, on Friday January 29, 2021, the Senate Chair and Senate Redistricting members were NOT privy to the true scope of how people feel about gerrymandered district lines in Deep East Texas with the subsequent marginalizing of the population's votes.

Thus, the reason for this email is simply to ask that you make reality a scheduled 2021 Senate Redistricting hearing(s) in Lufkin, Texas at some point in the near future. The eventual, redistricted lines will determine Deep East Texas immediate and future political and economic trajectory, specifically, either, we will continue to be marginalized, or with properly redrawn district lines affording us better representation at the federal level, we will be able to dramatically improve our economic and political future footprint.

Thank you for your work on our (Deep East Texas) behalf.

Respectfully,

Roshin Rowjee