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## Message:

The population growth that has occurred in Texas, namely in Travis and Williamson Counties, in the recent decade has been in more diverse communities. How can these communities be properly represented when they are being divided into smaller chunks? This minimizes the voices of Texans. My district is the Texas US District 17 represented by Pete Sessions. It reaches from north Austin and Pflugerville, where I live, to the Walker Lake area. What would the residents of Fairfield, TX say about the concerns of Austin? What would Austinites know about their concerns?

Districts are suppose to be compact, contiguous, and containing roughly the same amount of people. The current design lacks the former. The only reason for this is to divide and conquer local power. This is undemocratic and it's a shame that this is passed off as fair. This needs to be handed to an unpartisan group, using the technology available in the 21st Century to create a fair solution. Anything less is unconstitutional.