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To: Senate Redistricting

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 INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

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Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Senate

Message:

please see attached

Dear Texas Redistricting Committee,

I am asking that Rockwall County remain in its existing Texas House and Senate districts and U.S. Congressional Districts. I am also asking that the 5th Court of Appeals area remain in the existing boundaries or be drawn further east to reflect the composition of the people who live here.

The principles and values of our citizens in CD4, SD2 and House district 33 have not changed as our population has changed. In fact, I have found that the increase in population has brought more likeminded people to our region because they are drawn to the great sense of community here.

We are people who value each other and respect one another's right to individual freedom and pursuit of happiness and success. Over the last decade, the number of churches and religious affiliations has doubled. Our faith is very important to us, as we depend on God to give us solid foundation for how to treat each other, respect our government and live with purpose.

Area governmental officials have worked together to create a crimefighting plan that is working here. We want to keep our law enforcement agencies united and moving forward successfully to keep our friends, family and neighbors safe throughout our districts. Additionally, we are undergoing great growth that is resulting in state and federal highway expansion plans that have been facilitated through the coordination and cooperation of the multiple entities here. We don't want to attempt to weather the growth ahead without concerted efforts by these entities to experience growth in ways that will be beneficial to us all.

Even with the increased residential and business population over the last decade, I believe that the demographics of our new neighbors still match up to the makeup of the districts in which Rockwall County currently exists. We do not want to be drawn into districts that will give our voters less influence with our legislators than we have today. Please make the right decision that enables Rockwall County to retain our full and fair voting rights by keeping Rockwall County in U.S. Congressional District 4, Texas State Senate District 2 and Texas State House of Representatives District 33.

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