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Phone: [REDACTED]

Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: ALL

Message:

My name is Sarah Gray and I'm writing to represent myself. I live in southwest Austin, right where the city starts to blend with the hill country. My community has experienced a lot of growth, which is affecting the environment, transportation, and housing costs.

These are important issues, yet they are never addressed with the urgency and scale that they require. Instead, we get legislation about playing the national anthem and a special session about bathrooms. I'm tired of the faux outrage over things that matter so little. People in my district and across the state want solutions to actual problems, and legislation that will directly improve our lives. I want representation that reflects my community at every level. I ask that you do not manipulate maps in support of one party or one politician. I want redistricting in Texas to be fair and the process transparent. I want legislators to follow the Voting Rights Act and not discriminate against Black people and other people of color. Additionally, after the Census results are released, I expect you to make the maps available to the public. Where there's a will there's a way. If you can't find the way, it tells me a lot about your will and motives. In short, I ask that the committee draw maps that are fair, competitive, and represent ALL Texans. Thank you.