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Message:
I am shocked. I just found out that the all important once-a-decade redistricting process is now facing the worse proposed redistricting. Yesterday, a proposed map (Senate Bill 6) redrawing Texas Congressional Districts was released. OF MAJOR CONCERN, the proposed maps would remove Fort Bliss from the boundaries of Congressional District 16 (CD-16) in El Paso County.

We know how much Fort Bliss contributes to our community, local economy, and safety. It's the single largest employer in the area with one in five people in El Paso County associated with the base. Fort Bliss directly employs more than 40,000 civilians and military personnel in the area and brings $8 billion of income to the area. The base has helped increase our water supply, assisted us during local disasters, and contributed to the preservation of the area’s cultural heritage.

I grew up in El Paso and Fort Bliss has always been part of the fabric of El Paso and should not be carved out of our El Paso-based congressional district. We need lawmakers to know that Fort Bliss is part of El Paso and El Paso is part of Fort Bliss.

To separate Fort Bliss as part of Congressional District 16 is just WRONG!!!

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Congressional District 16 resident