Dear Senate Redistricting,

This statement expresses a resounding No to the proposed 6th Congressional District from which a portion of Northern Cherokee County is to be severed to form the District's eastern edge.

For the next decade this severance will create an open political wound preventing Northern Cherokee County from having the political clout necessary to protect its interests and to grow.

With the exception of Anderson County, Northern Cherokee County is distant in miles, culture, geography, and many economic concerns from the other counties slated for the District—and will be swamped population-wise.

With the exception of Anderson County, there is no community of interest between Northern Cherokee County and the other counties. I had never heard of Hill County and had to google it and the other counties up for basic facts, which included that these counties belong to Central Texas whereas Cherokee County whole or divided is a part of East Texas which it has ever been since its beginning.

Cherokee County along with most of rural East Texas needs a lot of financial assistance and development which it won't get as a small and distant part of the proposed District Six.

Reconfigure the map to make East Texas whole and to place it in a congressional district that includes one or more of its traditional neighbors like Nacogdoches, Smith, and Angelia counties where it traditionally conducts business, holds a job, shops, and goes to for medical care, entertainment, higher education, and the news.

Affirm public info: I agree