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To: Senate Redistricting

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

Attachments: Redistricting2021.pdf

Date: 2021-01-23 First Name: Rachel Last Name: Jackson

Title: N/A

Organization: Self

Address:
City: Austin
State: TX
Zipcode:
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Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Senate

Message:

I live in a community in west Austin called Lost Creek. It's about 1200 homes total and it has one major thoroughfare, Lost Creek Boulevard. I live on a side street off of that Boulevard, called Augusta National Drive. I have a good friend who also lives on Augusta National Dr, across the street from me and up a few houses. I can walk to her house in less than 3 minutes.

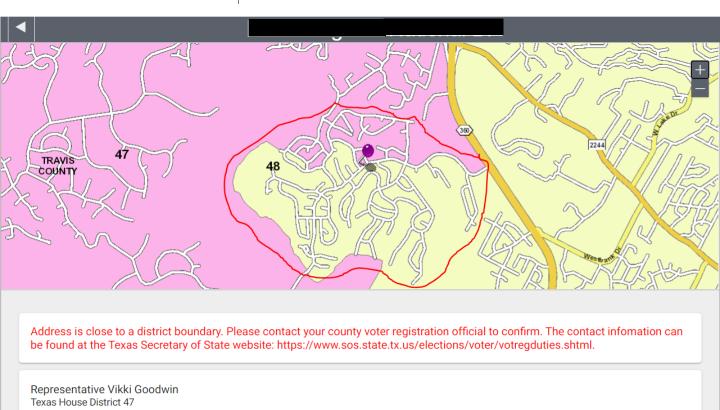
Despite her proximity, she is represented by a different TX state rep. I am in TX 47 and she is in TX 48. She lives essentially across the street from me, yet we are not represented at the state level by the same person. We do at least share the same US Congressional District, US 21.

I have another good friend in the neighborhood. She lives on the other side of the Blvd, down at the bottom of the hill on a street called Turtle Point. Her house is still within Lost Creek but it takes me a little longer to walk there, about 15 minutes. She has the same TX state rep as my other friend (TX 48), but a different US Congressional District, US 25, than both of us. This, despite us all living within the boundaries of the Lost Creek Limited District, which was created after our neighborhood was annexed by the City of Austin in 2015. Our neighborhood is gerrymandered and as a community, we should have a common voice at both the state and national level by the same representatives.

I have attached a visual representation of what this looks like. The red circle that you see on each map is around the Lost Creek neighborhood, which I drew so you could see the approximate boundaries of the neighborhood. I got these maps from the state's web site and you can see that there is even a disclaimer for my address that it's close to a district boundary.

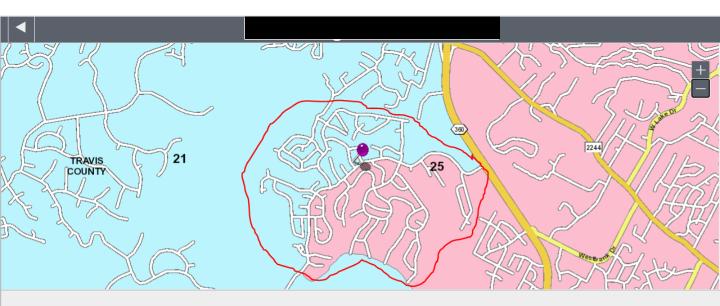
This redistricting committee must act in an open, transparent, and fair manner to ensure that when the new districts are drawn, this does not happen again. The residents of Lost Creek must have the same representation at both the state and federal level.

Texas House Districts



Representative Donna Howard Texas House District 48

.S. Congressional Districts



Address is close to a district boundary. Please contact your county voter registration official to confirm. The contact infomation can be found at the Texas Secretary of State website: https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/voter/votregduties.shtml.

Congressman Chip Roy U.S. Congressional District 21

Congressman Roger Williams U.S. Congressional District 25