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Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Congressional

Message:

My name is A Carol Teitelman and I live in Pflugerville TX. My zip code is [REDACTED] .

The goal of redistricting should be to create districts that fully create one person one vote representation. When communities are sliced and diced to accommodate specific candidates, then the voices of the people are diminished. Texas has grown tremendously during the past decade and a large portion of the new population is people of color who are living in the growing metropolitan areas.

The shapes of districts proposed are obviously drawn without regard these communities. Small slivers of towns are between larger areas as if to connect those larger areas without regard to the affiliations of the people in the sliver. This is particularly egregious as it is done in a manner that overwhelmingly affects our Black, Latino, disadvantaged, and disability communities. Their voices are minimized. My voice is minimized. My friends voices are minimized. And THAT is not democracy.

I suggest that the legislature create maps that are based on communities of interest not interested parties. There are several methods to ensure that all citizens of the state have equal opportunity to elect a person who best represents them and their community. Please consider one of these methods. The maps that are now presented do not even come close to providing equal representation.

I am tired of having the town I live in carved up so that my family and friends are underrepresented. I implore you to redraw the lines to give each of us the opportunity to vote and have our vote count equally.

[REDACTED]