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Message:

Honorable Members of the Redistricting Commission:

I am writing to register objections to map PLANS2101 and subsequent amendments that do not address my objections. I am concerned that proposed districts 10, 12, and 22 dramatically split urban communities of interest in Dallas and Tarrant counties and combine them with rural areas to the detriment of both. It is extremely difficult to see what commonalities exist in terms of demographics and civic issues between, for example, the dense urban single-family neighborhoods within Dallas County's I-635 loop and rural northwestern Wise County, or similarly, the area within I-820 in Tarrant County and Parker County. Combining these areas does a disservice to both urban and rural voters in those districts as well as anyone running to represent those voters, because it guarantees that with such a wide range of interests, some of them are going to fall by the wayside due to the sheer number involved and the limited time of the representative. It unnecessarily forces poorer representation upon the voters, which would not happen in a more cohesive, less-geographically sprawling district. These maps must do a better job of splitting urban and rural demographics apart to better represent both.

Thank you for your time and attention.

- Crispin Lawson