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To: <u>Senate Redistricting</u>

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

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Regarding: Senate

Message:

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to address the

recent proposal for redistricting in the state of Texas. I reside in Brownsville, Tx which lies within Cameron County-District 34. I am VERY concerned about the recent proposal which in essence leaves District 34 as a blue district with little to no hope of changing. The removal of all "red counties" has put constiuents of District 34 in a conundrum. I have personally seen the "changing of the tide" in Cameron County. There has been an uprising in the Republican/Conservative movement in my city and county. I have lead numerous events of which have proven the interest and desire to see change happen in Brownsville, Cameron County, and District 34! What you have done by prosposing to remove DeWitt, Gonzalez, Bee, and Jim Wells counties from District 34 has in essence thwarted the efforts of the grassroots. In addition we (District 34) has a very strong candidate, Mayra Flores, who is running for the congressional seat. To take away her chance of

leading the way for much-needed change is reckless and thoughtless. Do you know how many border cities are in District 34? Do you know how badly we are struggling with all that is happening on our southern border? We need someone like Mayra Flores representing us and actually giving us a voice in congress! I am asking you to reconsider your proposal as what happens in our Texas border cities affects ALL of Texas AND the United States and fair and adequate representation is dire. Our current congressman, Filemon Vela, has completely ignored our Conservative voice. We are ready for change-please do not stand in our way. Thank you.