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Message:

As a current resident of a small, rural county (Kerr), and a former, long-time resident of a large, urban county (Bexar), I urge you to create an independent, non-partisan redistricting commission that will draw fair maps giving all voters equal voice and voting power - districts that honestly reflect the demographic changes of our 2020 Census.

The current practice of racial and partisan gerrymandering has diluted the voices of Black and Latinx voters for two decades now. And because voters of color are packed into single districts or broken up across several districts, their voting power is diluted to the point that their votes are rendered ineffective in choosing their political representation. This is not democracy. This is blatant, unconstitutional discrimination. This is corruption. This is a betrayal of the oath you as elected Texas lawmakers have sworn to uphold.

Unify ALL Texas by restoring fair and equal districts that, in turn, restore the integrity of our elections in Texas once again. Use your power for the good of all Texans.

