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## Message:

Thank you Committee Members for allowing me and others this opportunity to speak regarding those diluting redistricting lines. I always tell my students watch what a person does not what they say. Actions speaks more louder than words any day. Let's be honest the 87th Legislature didn't do anything with the lines but promote gerrymandering and visible diluting of stretching lines way across 2 or 3 counties to keep the vote one-sided. Heck, look at the makeup of the Texas Legislature, it doesn't reflect the demographics of Quickly, when drawing any lines, I would love Texas. to see a panel of citizens void of legislators. This would mean gerrymandering wouldn't be an issue. This panel of citizens would be advised that transparency and accountability would be a top priority because we want fair boundary lines where political parties aren't the driving force but the People. Again, I am a Teacher and unpaid Councilwoman, I am representing myself and if the people wouldn't have taken a stand, Al Green and Shelia Jackson Lee would have been placed together. What I think is really sad, folks are not speaking up at this 88th Legislative hearing because they feel their voices are not being heard. To that, I say, "Speak up and let people see that no matter what the results are we took a stand and it's the legislators legacy that will speak for itself. I don't agree with those lines that were drawn and you all need to go back to the drawing board. This time include the people who pay taxes and create committee of citizens to Regards, Arnetta Murray of Brazoria be apart. County. Councilwoman of the City of Iowa Colony