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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

My name is Catherine Miller, and I live in the Dallas–Fort Worth area in the city of Little Elm. I may live in the 26th district, but when you live in DFW, all of DFW is your community, your friends, and your family. I am submitting this comment in strong opposition to the proposed mid-decade redistricting and in support of continuing litigation on the current maps.

The congressional maps adopted in 2021 are still under review by the federal courts due to concerns about racial discrimination. These concerns remain valid, especially in the DFW area, where changes to districts such as CD 30, CD 32, and CD 33 have reduced the ability of working class communities of diverse backgrounds to elect candidates of their choice. Communities that have historically been underrepresented should not be further disenfranchised before the courts have ruled on the legality of the existing maps.

In Dallas County, the packing of CD 30 and the shifting of CD 33 into Dallas have diluted representation for Tarrant County communities of color. These changes undermine the

principle of fair representation, particularly when DFW's population growth over the last decade has been driven by diverse communities.

Mid-decade redistricting is unnecessary, confusing to voters, and a misuse of state resources.

Instead of redrawing districts now, lawmakers should allow the courts to COMPLETE their review. If changes are required, those changes should be made through a TRANSPARENT PROCESS that prioritizes public input and keeps communities of interest intact.

Texans deserve fair maps that reflect the people of our state'. The Legislature must not bypass ongoing litigation to manipulate maps for political gain. I urge the committee to uphold fair representation by continuing litigation on the current maps and rejecting this mid-cycle redistricting.

Thank you for your consideration.