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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

I am a retired attorney. I live in West University Place, and I am a constituent of Texas District 7. As a Texan, I wish that this legislature was working on disaster preparedness or infrastructure issues. Instead, I am here to testify against this appalling attempt to redraw our congressional districts in the middle of the decade. I am involved with many volunteer and civic organizations in Houston and I share my life and interests with these communities. When natural disasters or pandemics strike, we support each other. I should share a representative with these neighbors, not with some community an hour away from me. It is crucial that the redistricting process not be tainted by partisan gamesmanship. Politicians should not be choosing their voters; voters should be choosing the politicians who will represent their interests. These hearings should take months, or at least weeks. Instead, they're being squeezed into only five days. This is unjust at best and duplicitous at worst. At the very least, we should wait until the court rules on the 2021 maps to redraw again. As a member of the Houston community, I ask this committee to be fair and transparent. We deserve competitive, representative districts. Thank you.

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