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## Message:

Dear Members of the Senate Special Committee on Congressional Redistricting:

I am writing to express, in the strongest possible terms, my deep concern and unequivocal opposition to the mid-decade redistricting process currently under consideration by this committee. Let me be clear: this is a nakedly partisan attempt to gerrymander congressional districts in Texas for the sole purpose of securing political advantage for the Republican Party, and it must be rejected.

Until President Donald Trump raised the issue, there were no plans for mid-decade redistricting by the Texas Legislature. Trump himself made the intent of this process explicitly clear when he said on July 15, 2025, "Texas will be the biggest one. And that'll be five." He then added, "Just a simple redrawing, we pick up five seats," and further stated, "There could be some other states we're going to get another three, or four or five in addition. Texas would be the biggest one." These statements reveal the true motivation behind this proposed redistricting: to manipulate electoral maps to pre-determine political outcomes and subvert the will of the voters.

This is not about fair representation. It is about power—raw, cynical power. This mid-decade redistricting proposal is nothing less than an attempt to rig the 2026 elections and beyond.

Moreover, this maneuver is being orchestrated by a President who, along with many of his allies, has falsely claimed for years that the 2020 presidential election was stolen. These claims have been thoroughly discredited in court. More than 60 lawsuits were filed by Trump and his allies challenging the 2020 election results. Nearly all were dismissed or dropped due to lack of evidence or standing. Only one case initially ruled in Trump's favor, but that decision was overturned by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and had no impact on the final results. Judges across the country—including many appointed by Trump himself—rejected the baseless allegations of widespread voter fraud, declaring that the lawsuits lacked merit.

For the Texas Senate to now embrace a redistricting process rooted in political manipulation is not only profoundly irresponsible—it is shameful. If this committee proceeds with middecade redistricting designed to benefit one party, it will amount to stealing future elections by diluting minority voting strength, reducing electoral competitiveness, and entrenching incumbents while silencing new voices. It will tarnish Texas's reputation, invite

costly legal challenges, and undermine faith in our democratic process.

I urge this committee to reject this dangerous and undemocratic course of action. Texas deserves an ongoing decennial redistricting process guided by fairness, transparency, and respect for the rule of law—not a sporadically selected one driven by partisan gamesmanship at the behest of a President with a record of attacking our democratic institutions.

Do not allow our state to become the poster child for gerrymandering in America. History will judge your actions—and so will the voters.