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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

As a proud resident of El Paso, Texas, I strongly oppose the proposed mid-decade redistricting plan currently under consideration. This effort to redraw congressional boundaries—particularly targeting Texas' 16th Congressional District—is a direct threat to fair representation for El Pasoans and undermines the democratic principles upon which our state and nation were founded.

El Paso is not alone. Communities in Houston, Corpus Christi, San Antonio, and North Texas are also facing the consequences of this politically motivated redistricting effort. These proposed changes would dilute the voices of diverse and vibrant populations across the state by shifting large portions of these communities into sprawling districts that do not reflect their unique needs or identities.

For El Paso, the plan would move many residents into the 23rd Congressional District. This would fragment our community and diminish our ability to elect representatives who understand and advocate for our regional priorities—border policy, transportation and infrastructure, military affairs, and binational trade.

Redistricting outside of the regular census cycle is historically rare and legally questionable. It disrupts the continuity of representation and confuses voters, many of whom would suddenly find themselves in unfamiliar districts with representatives disconnected from their local concerns. More troubling is the apparent motivation behind this plan: partisan gain rather than public interest, aiming to artificially increase Republican seats in Congress at the expense of communities like ours. Texans across the state have not asked for this change. We deserve representation by leaders who live in our communities and are chosen by our communities. The government of Texas should work for the people—not manipulate the system to serve political agendas. Our voices matter, and our districts should reflect that truth.

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