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Good morning, and thank you for the opportunity to speak before you today.

My name is Marina Flores Sugg

I live in East Aldine, Harris County, Texas, which is in State Senate District 6 and Congressional District 29.

East Aldine is closer to the most western border of State Senate District 6 which is up by the Houston National Cemetery on Veterans' Memorial Drive.

The most eastern border of District 6 is over 50 miles away past Baytown almost to Galveston Bay.

Common sense tells you that the needs of the people living up around the western border of the district are not the same as of those people living down by the bay. We all know that all of the gerrymandering that goes on in redistricting does not really serve the needs of the people.

For this reason, I request that this honorable committee consider doing the following:

1. Follow the example of the school and utility districts in drawing up district borders which have nothing to do with political party affiliation; or,
2. Use the 2020 Census results AND NOT political party affiliation to help determine district borders;
3. If census results are used, then hold public meetings similar to these once the census results are released so that the people can have an input in helping develop district line; also,
4. Hold public meetings similar to these once the district maps are drafted so that the people can have an input before finalizing the maps; and, finally,
5. Use your common sense to draw up district maps that will help, not hinder, our representatives in complying with their duty to fairly and equally represent and serve the needs of all of their constituents.

Thank you for your time and attention.