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Message:

Dear Senate Special Committee on Redistricting,

I just viewed the proposed redistricting plan at
<https://dvr.capitol.texas.gov/Congress/0/PLANC2101>

I'm deeply disappointed by the chopped up nature of our state's major cities. The needs of someone within city limits can be quite different from those in rural communities. By grouping these together in one district, neither urban nor rural interests will be properly represented in our government. Fair maps are compact, they keep communities together, and they don't have weird squiggly arms that cut suburban neighborhoods out of their cities!

Of particular concern is my own neighborhood, Wells Branch. The map has split our community right down the middle. I know many neighbors on both sides of this line and we have many common interests. By splitting our neighborhood, you're taking away our ability to be heard and have our votes count.

Frankly, it seems like that is your intent with the entire map: to disenfranchise as many voters as possible. That's a disgusting and improper use of your power as leaders.

It's time for you to stand up for all the people of Texas when drawing maps, not just your supporters.

I vote in every election and am watching your actions closely on this issue.

Sincerely,
Kathy Bateman

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