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To: Senate Redistricting

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

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Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Senate

Message:

My name is Mary Jalufka. I am a 25-year old graduate student at Texas A&M University, and resident of Bryan, Texas. I am a young Texan invested in the future of this state, and I hope you will take the time to hear my requests below.

I am asking that the legislature maintain transparency during this redistricting process. The citizens of Texas are growing in number and diversifying rapidly, a trend continued from the past decade. The state of Texas, whose populous is swelling and changing, needs it's elected public officials to represent her honorably.

To ensure that their elected officials are taking every precaution to produce the most equitable maps possible for the population of this great state, I ask that the 87th legislature take the following steps in their duty to open and honest servitude; develop a timeline and procedure for public review of maps and submit request for change, make documentation and map production procedure as accessible as possible to public oversight, and preserve the documents and communication regarding Texas' congressional redistricting for public access. Finally, in light of the limitations and complications of the COVID-19 pandemic, I ask that you prioritize the development of public access through online and virtual formats.

The citizens of this state are indeed directly influenced by the drawing of districts, and ought to be given a voice in this process whose effects they must daily feel. Thank you for taking the time to hear my requests, I hope for your responsiveness.