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To: <u>Senate Redistricting</u>

Subject: INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input

Date: Friday, March 24, 2023 9:47:36 AM

Date: 2023-03-24 First Name: Phyllis Last Name: Roberts

Title: N/A

Organization: self

City: Houston State: TX

Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Senate

## Message:

My name is Phyllis Roberts, I live in Texas house district 138, and Texas Senate District 17 in Houston. I am writing to ask that the legislature use a committee of citizens, or a bipartisan commission, to drawn Texas districts. Nonpartisan districting will be beneficial to all Texans because: -Reflect the will of the majority -Candidates in gerrymandered districts feel more beholden to party leaders and their funders than they do to their constituents -Incumbents in gerrymandered areas start thinking of "their" district, instead of 'we the people's' district. In closing, in our democracy, I believe that voters should select their representatives – elected officials should not select their voters. Thank you.