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**To:** [Senate Redistricting](#)  
**Subject:** INETMAIL: Redistricting Public Input  
**Date:** Thursday, March 23, 2023 12:45:13 PM

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Date: 2023-03-23  
First Name: Richard  
Last Name: Howe  
Title: n/a  
Organization: self

[REDACTED]  
City: Plano  
State: TX

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Affirm public info: I agree

Regarding: Congressional

Message:

Subject: Congressional redistricting I am a native Texan and lifelong conservative voter in Texas. I want our redistricting process to focus on creating more competitive districts in Texas. We need the competition of ideas, not the entrenchment of one party or the other. As a resident of Plano, Tx, I want to be on the record in disagreement with the proposed congressional redistricting that splits Plano into two congressional districts. This proposal would move half the residents of Plano into the same congressional district as residents in cities in far northeast Texas to the border of Oklahoma and Louisiana such as Sherman, Sulfur Springs, Mount Vernon, Mount Pleasant, Paris, or Texarkana. That is not good representation for any of us. I am counting on my elected representatives to do the right thing and correct this. Going forward, I support the approach used by several states of drawing both state and federal districts using an independent commission, with regulations limiting direct participation by elected officials. Sincerely, Richard Howe

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