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Message:

Please correct the arbitrary gerrymandering of the Lost Creek subdivision in southwest Austin, where I live. This neighborhood is now split between two congressional districts and two house districts. This neighborhood should have a single representative at the state and federal levels.

While it is necessary to divide districts somewhere, the committee should draw district lines that either follow existing jurisdictional boundaries, such as counties or school districts, or geographical features such as rivers. But the existing district lines in Lost Creek make no sense. We Lost Creek residents are all within the Eanes school district, and beyond that, we share the same elementary school (Forest Trail) and middle school (Westridge). We play youth baseball within the same Little League district (Western Hills). The existing district boundaries, however, do not follow these or any other jurisdictional boundaries or geographic features. The boundaries appear completely arbitrary. (The comment by my neighbor Rachel Jackson provides maps demonstrating this point.). It makes no sense for some of us to be represented in the US Congress by a representative whose district stretches to the Fort Worth suburbs (Tx 25) while others are within Tx 21, which stretches to San Angelo.

Please make redistricting decisions on a reasonable, defensible basis. Please keep the entire Lost Creek community within the same federal and state districts.

Thank you for your consideration.

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