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Message:

Dear Chair, Vice-Chair and Members of the Senate Select Committee on Redistricting,

Thank you for taking my testimony. My name is Hasani Burton. I'm addressing you as a member of organizations like LULAC, NAACP, DFW Urban League Young Professionals, The 23rd Senatorial District Tejano Democrats, the Dallas Mexican American Historical League and the North Texas Asian Democrats. More than all of these, I'm addressing you as a father to a son born during the 2020 census.

The congressional map proposed by the Texas State Senate is unfair, unlawful and gerrymandered.

Tejano, Afro-American and Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) population growth in Texas as confirmed by the 2020 census is the reason Texas is gaining two new congressional seats.

The proposed map fails to create even one competitive seat across 38 districts. Further, votes from cities and suburbs around El Paso, San Antonio, Austin and Houston have been drastically diluted, with the worst packing of Tejano and Afro-American votes in three Dallas-Fort Worth congressional districts and the cracking of AAPI votes across four. This insures the populations responsible for Texas gaining two new congressional seats do not have an opportunity for a new federal seat at the table.

Hasani4Progress is adamantly opposed to this gerrymandered map proposal.

Therefore, I request that the map be redrawn to create a competitive TX-37 congressional seat within Dallas County in north Texas to honor the considerable population growth in this area.

Respectfully,

Hasani Burton

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