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Regarding: Senate

Message:

Congratulations! I couldn't believe that Texas could be more gerrymandered than it is, but I was clearly wrong. I look at the new senate district that I'll be in and it's amazing. My area of lower Greenville/East Dallas has been cracked apart and goes over to Arlington which has no relation to our community. Here's my previous testimony:

My name is Sherry Mercer from Dallas and I'm representing All on the Line. I'd like to tell you about my neighborhood. For the past twenty years, I've lived in the Lower Greenville area of Dallas, also known as the M streets, approximately two mile from White rock lake.

Our neighborhood is very diverse, it includes large expensive houses, a number of apartments, and small houses like mine, built in the 1940s. My son recently graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School in the Dallas ISD. He attended all public schools from elementary to high school. Woodrow is 73% Hispanic. My son has spoken about what he learned about Hispanic culture and how he learned to get along in such a diverse environment.

Our neighborhood includes many small businesses which give our area a unique environment. We also have many local artists given our proximity to the Arts district and the high school for performing arts. We also include White Rock lake and the Arboretum in our neighborhood. Our trail structure is used by athletes and non-athletes alike.

I am in Senate District 16 and while it is a competitive district, it cracks our neighborhood into two districts 16 & 23. My request is that our neighborhood from Mockingbird through the Arts district remains in one district. Texas needs more competitive districts. According to statistics, only 24% of our districts are competitive. I hope that this time when the districts are drawn the competitiveness of them is taken into consideration.

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