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Regarding: Congressional

Message:

As a resident of Tarrant County, and the greater Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington-Plano metropolitan area (DFW "Metroplex"), I feel it is imperative that the upcoming Congressional districts for the United States House of Representatives be drawn as compact a shape as possible. There is NO NEED to have districts that extend from DFW towards Austin or Wichita Falls. People in those outlying areas do not share the same issues or concerns as residents of DFW.

It would be advantageous to everyone who resides here if our districts are focused on the cities they're supposed to represent.

For example, take Tarrant County with a population of about 2 million people. Assuming districts contain approximately 800-900,000 people, there could be three (3) Congressional districts based in Tarrant County. Another 3 for Dallas, 2-3 for Collin and Denton.

Looking beyond DFW, this past decade had egregious districts shapes like the 2nd, 14th, 15th, 18th, 25th, 29th, 33rd, and 35th. WE CAN DO BETTER IN TEXAS!

I ask you to please get some assistance this time around or use a simple tool like GIS or Google Earth to draw more boxy, compact districts. More small districts for the cities, larger districts for the rural areas.

Thanks for your time,

Jordan Martirosian

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