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Regarding: Census

## Message:

Thank you members of this committee for including an opportunity for members of the public to submit their testimony. My name is Coretta Mallet-Fontenot and I am from Harris county.

Harris County is has a rich and diverse culture that includes people from many ethnic, racial, economic, and religious backgrounds.

Harris County has many beautiful parks, bike and walk trails, and a once vibrant restaurant and theatre scene. I happen to live near two great parks where my family and I play tennis, ride our bicycles, walk the trails, and workout. Our medical facilities, participate in some of the greatest ground breaking medical discoveries, are second to none.

According to some preliminary data, Harris County has experienced exponential growth. I believe our county deserves the additional representation that is legally allotted for. That is why I am addressing the issue of redistricting in Texas. As you know quite well, the next set of redistricting laws doesn't just affect citizens at the national level, but it also affects healthcare, education, economic growth, and so many facets of being able to live a healthy and fruitful life in Harris County.

I am asking that new redistricting maps be drawn in such a way that is fair and equitable to the role that Harris County has played in the growth of Texas. This would place Harris County in a position to continue growing economically as well and help deliver funding for education, healthcare, and other well-needed services in this area.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Coretta Mallet-Fontenot