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Regarding: Senate

Message:

Both Republicans and Democrats, all of us, want to see the democratic process as a legitimate process. And with good reason. When trust in the democratic process erodes then the legitimacy of our elected officials is questioned and, indeed, the legitimacy of the entire government is questioned. No one, no business, no nonprofit, no school wins when elected officials lose the trust of their constituents.

I can say from personal experience that the current extreme partisan gerrymandering erodes trust in the democratic process. The congressional district I live in stretches from east to west Austin (where in some places the district is less than ten city blocks wide) and then extends all the way to the suburbs of Ft. Worth in north Texas. As best as I can tell, our representative appears to have no interest in representing the interests and values of my corner of Texas Congressional District 25. It does not have to be this way. Drawing fair electoral maps is a well-established process in many parts of the world. It is not rocket science.

I urge you to step away from the current highly partisan redistricting process and allow non-partisan groups to draw future electoral maps. Let the voters choose their elected officials, not the other way around. Thank you.

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