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Dear Lawmakers,

The redrawn restricting maps are a cynical exercise in disenfranchising voter's chances at fair representation in the State House. By chopping up Districts into far-flung geographic constituents, the alignment guarantees that it will be impossible for same-district constituents to hear from their potential representatives during the months leading up to an election. The obvious attempt to solidify Republican districts as blocks, no matter the physical distance, makes it clear that the intention of the re-districting is to inhibit true representation and replace it with locked-in seats that will prohibit real debate around important issues facing the state. If Republican issues are truly representative of public intent, allow a fair exchange of ideas and conflicts to emerge, and see where voters' wishes can be expressed at the ballot box.

The current plan reflects poorly on the Republican Party and on the state as a whole. I urge you to go back to the drawing board and deeply consider what is fair and will truly lead to representative choices for all voters.

Yours,  
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