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## ***Testimony of Tom Roberts President Ohio Conference of the NAACP***

As President of the Ohio Conference of the NAACP the nation's oldest civil rights organization I'm asking you to follow the instructions of the Ohio Supreme Court and draw fair state legislative maps.

The Ohio NAACP was a part of the Citizens Commission on Redistricting (NAACP, APRI and The Ohio Organizing Collaborative). The citizen commission submit a fair state legislative map.

On Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Ohio Supreme Court has directed you to come up with a map that is fair and reflect the actual registered Democrats and Republicans in Ohio

Voters time after time have said they want fair maps and an end to gerrymandering. Now the highest Court in our State has spoken.

As the voice of civil rights in Ohio we ask you to follow the instructions of the Ohio Supreme court and draw a fair map.

If further testimony is needed, I am happy to make myself present.

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Sincerely,

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