

My name is Robin Snyder and this is testimony for the Redistricting Committee hearing in Akron on 8/27/21. I live in Cleveland Heights, OH and vote in the 11th congressional district, the 9th Ohio House District, and the 21st Ohio Senate District. I voted for and helped organize for redistricting reform. While I'm not often an activist, I care deeply about fair maps because democracy cannot function without fair representation. It is not good for our democracy when politicians of either party manipulate voting maps to keep themselves and their party in power.

I remind you that both Republican and Democratic voters overwhelmingly supported redistricting reform in 2015 and 2018, winning in all 88 counties by more than 70% of the vote.

Please keep redistricting fair, transparent, non-discriminatory, and politically impartial. Let the public be heard. Keep my community together. The redistricting process should be transparent, open, and bipartisan.