

8-23-2021

To the members of the Ohio Redistricting Commission;

Ohio voters in 2015 + 2018 VOICED OUR DISMAY over gerrymandering practices that unfairly HACK OUT sections of the state in order to assure a VICTORY for one party or other.

We do care. We want a functioning democracy where each person's vote counts; where the process is transparent, includes public input + is bi-partisan.

Changes to the Ohio Constitution now require these, as well as drawing maps that keep communities together, facilitating ease + efficiency in addressing communal needs (education, health/medical access, transportation<sup>etc</sup>) as well as making it easier for constituents to meet with their representatives.

New districts are required to be compact + contiguous as well; not stringing across counties or through cities.

Using the most recent census data + insuring the 2 ~~(of 7)~~ democratic <sup>(of 7)</sup> members of the commission approve the final map will affirm bipartisan participation.

Thank you for your very valuable service in our government, and democracy. Sincerely,

Kathleen M. Allen

25320 Clubside Dr #12 N. Olmsted, OH 44070