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Subject: Good morning

To the Members of the Redistricting Committee,

Thank you for taking the time to listen to people in the Cincinnati area. Redistricting is one of the most important tasks given to our elected officials.

Historically, Cincinnati has had at least two members of Congress. This should remain so as we enter a new decade.

Despite what some may say, the Cincinnati area is more than just the highly dense urban areas. The city of Cincinnati is not large enough to be its own district which means it will need to be combined with surrounding communities. If Cincinnati's district was solely combined with Hamilton County, the rural and suburban communities such as Harrison, Anderson Township, Green Township, and others would be disenfranchised and largely ignored in favor of the city.

Having two members of Congress, as we always have, will allow all communities to be represented and all perspectives fairly balanced at the Congressional level. Southwest Ohio is more than the urban center of Cincinnati. It is an area with vibrant suburbs and rural areas that deserve to be heard and fairly represented.

Thank you for your time and thank you for your work on this complicated issue

Sincerely,
Mitchell Stein