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Ohio Redistricting Commission

I agree with Fair Districts Ohio's analysis that the maps officially proposed by the Redistricting Commission are not representationally fair, inappropriately pack minority groups, and perform poorly on compactness. I do not see how these maps meet the Ohio Constitutional requirements. At the simplest level, to be representationally fair, the districts should result in roughly 54/46 split between Republican and Democrat representation, respectively. This aligns with how the State of Ohio votes. The proposed maps appear to have a 68/32 split between Republicans and Democrats. This is unacceptable. Fair Districts Ohio's public mapping competition resulted in maps that are Constitutional and fairer than the Commission's maps, like that of Geoff Wise's, showing it can be done. Please consider these maps and create fair and equitable maps. Thank you.

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