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Hello.

I'm writing to address the hearings on the fair maps process in Ohio. I've had the pleasure to live in more than four districts in Ohio. It is important to me that Ohio is representative of the diverse ideas and populations who live here.

I remember learning about gerrymandering in my civics classes in the eighties. That was a long time ago. It was egregious then. It is egregious now.

It's damaging to the democratic process. People expect our states representatives to be representative. When lines are unfairly drawn, to favor a party, then people who want to participate in voting cannot, because unfair districts create too many barriers.

Remove the barriers so Ohio can be fairly represented. Democracy demands less barriers. Democracy demands fair districts. Ohio demands fair districts, as do l.

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