I'm a resident of House District 15 and have resided in Oregon since 1958. I'm emailing you today because I'm very concerned about the redistricting motives of our State Government.

Our beautiful State needs districts that allow Oregonians to be represented by someone who represents their values. We Oregonians understand this and expect our lawmakers to set aside their own personal and political biases in favor of a transparent process and maps that lead to fair representation for all Oregonians.

I also expect our State elected Officials to follow statutory criteria per ORS188.010 to ensure that no district is drawn for the purposes of favoring any political party or Incumbent or diluting the voting strength of any language or ethnic minority group. Therefore, the following points need to be kept in mind when representing Oregon's citizens;

- Keep counties and cities whole.
- Preserve communities of common interests.
- Ensure that populations for each district be closely matched.
- Avoid crossing geographic or political boundaries and maintain transportation links.

Thank you for your time,

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