Dear Oregon Legislature, Senators and Representatives,

My wife and I are voters and residents of US House of Representatives, District 4, Eugene, Or. This year Oregon has the good fortune of adding a legislative district - from 5 to 6. Most people, Democrats, Republicans, and independents assail "gerrymandering", which is defined as:

Definition of gerrymandering

: the practice of dividing or arranging a territorial unit into election districts in a way that gives one political party an unfair advantage in elections.

Most voters want an "equitable" and "representative" form of government - no gerrymandering. Even ideas or political opponents should have a chance to compete <u>fairly</u> - gerrymandering is not fair and not equitable.

Please select district maps so that urban and rural, liberals, conservatives, moderates and independents all have representation.

Let's face it, both Democrats and Republicans engage in gerrymandering, so whichever party is in control can maintain that control and make it less likely that the other party will have a fair chance.

But that is not what most voters want. We want to have a fair chance to be heard. Do the right thing, give all Oregonians a fair chance to be represented.

Thank you,

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