

For the record my name is Alex, my pronouns are he/him/his and I live in Marion County, House District 21 and Senate District 11.

I live in House District 21, and Senate District 11, and have lived here for the past 5 years.

September 10th, 2021

Co-Chairs Taylor, and Salinas, Vice-Chairs, Knopp, and Boshart-Davis, and members of the redistricting committees,

First off, thank you for the hard work of this committee. I know there are a lot of complexities to drawing new district lines. Generally speaking, I support Congressional Maps A, Senate Plan C, and House Plan C. These maps make sense to me based on how they keep communities of interest together, take into account major transportation links, and respect important existing political and natural boundaries in my area. However, I don't support Congressional Plans B, Senate Plan B, or House Plan B. I believe that these proposed maps are hurtful for low-income communities of color and poverty rates are high as someone who sees the damage me and my communities have by people in power who don't see the issues or are the issue in those communities

There are a few things I would suggest to make the maps in the House District 21 and Senate District 11 area even more reflective of our community. The first thing that the committee can make changes on, is to adopt the map proposals of House Plan C, and Senate Plan C when looking into adopting new maps. I believe that these maps are the most equitable, in reflecting my communities values, and special interest groups, and I believe that these maps are the most fair ones that the legislature can adopt.

Once again, thanks so much for your service and your work on this important issue. These maps are a great start. Please keep in mind what I have shared about my community when finalizing maps. I'm happy to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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