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Commission Meeting

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Comments:

Dear Sandoval County Commissioners,

I am very concerned with gerrymandering and I want the Commissioners to ensure that all people have their representation protected in our electoral process. The redistricting process must preserve areas of interest and strive to provide equal representation among various peoples. The process should also respect geographic boundaries, where possible.

I am very concerned with the proposed maps by the NM Demographic Research. The proposed maps do none of the above, These plans radically realign the Commission districts, creating overwhelmingly partisan districts, split communities such as Placitas and Bernalillo, and dilute the voting power of Native Americans and Hispanics.

The alternative plan preserves communities of interest, does not radically realign the districts, and provides Native American representation in multiple districts.

Simply put, the plans proposed by NM Demographic Research are a gross example of gerrymandering. Gerrymandering is causing problems in many districts and leads to a polarization of political systems. It has a negative impact on the electoral system, including democracy. Gerrymandering tears down our state and country.

Sandoval County must rise above partisan politics and create County Commission districts that provide equal representation to all voters. Voting Rights are among our most precious American Rights.