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Chairman Stefanski, Chairwoman Hewitt,

I am Cathy J. Costanza, a longtime resident of Louisiana, and a constituent of US Congressman Garret Graves Dist 6. Congressman Garret Graves has represented Louisiana well. I am a former school teacher, long term professional in the residential construction - design business, a mother, grandmother and an enthusiastic community volunteer.

Based on the most recent census, there has been little change in this state's population. Redrawing district lines by severely gerrymandering to create minority group(s), would absolutely disenfranchise the larger population group.

That would be a great disservice to the entire state.

Due to this fact, I find no reason to make any major changes in our districts. Please keep the boundaries as they were last drawn under Obama's Presidency.

The law states that boundaries are to be redrawn only if population increases >5%. In Dist 6 the population increased only 5.2%, and in Dist 4 it decreased only by 6.2%. Under these circumstances, the push to redraw boundaries can only be explained by political gerrymandering. The Louisiana population has not changed enough to warrant redrawing districts. Please keep our boundaries intact. This is fair to all and follows the existing laws.

Thank you,
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