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A Community Voice, Louisiana's largest grassroots membership organization of low to moderate income people, at 9,000 family memberships, urges the redistricting plans follow their own rules which say to keep "the maintenance of communities of interest within the same district to the extent practicable:

We urge:

1. A 2nd Congressional seat to represent Black people.

Louisiana has over 1/3 of our population who are Black  
We should have at least 2 Congressional seats to represent Black people by Black people.

2. The same is true for a Louisiana Supreme Court to truly represent the people, a 2nd district needs to maintain communities of interest and represent Black people too.

3. At the state house and state senate levels, we do not want to have districts that are majority in other parishes but that still have a finger in Orleans Parish. It allows those other parishes' legislators, usually who have very different interests, to claim that they represent Orleans because they have a small area in Orleans parish in their districts. They can introduce legislation to harm New Orleans such as the bill that stopped us from setting our own higher minimum wage. If this has to happen, Orleans should only be with other majority Black areas.

4. The Public Service Commission needs many more seats to have actual representation, the districts are far too large.

5. The BESE board itself is a confusing entity, most people don't know what it is. Perhaps it should be abolished for a truly democratic education system.

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"Continue to build union between movements stretching across the globe because we must put away our willingness to profit from the exploitation of others." Congr. John Lewis