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To: The House Committee on Redistricting  
Re: Fair & Equitable Representation in Kansas Congressional Maps  
Position: Opponent

Chairman and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to supply testimony in support of transparent and fair redistricting.

I am demanding that SB 355 the ad astra 2 map sponsored by Senate President Ty Masterson and Rep. Chris Croft be denied and cancelled since it is a BAD MAP for Kansas which was voted out of committee despite over whelming opposition from constituents.

The republican party has become an anti-American enemy of democracy and will be opposed at every turn. Stop your nonsense. We don't want you. We will finish your party. Finish it. Those who stand up now and oppose the toxic direction of the party will be exonerated, but this is your last chance. I've seen the wanna-be terrorist trumpers in the streets and they want to start a civil war. This is insane and at a time when the world needs to work together to combat climate change and the pandemic. Your ignorant congressional mapping with SB 355 will encourage this trend and destroy us all. Stop the madness. NOW.

District 1 is where I live and needs to vote in the interests of democracy, not one party rule. I see through your blatant attempts to encourage corporate domination of the people and to destroy our democracy. We all see it. This will not stand. SB 355 goes against laws made By the people for the people and turns it into corporate government for the enrichment of a few wealthy individuals. This must stop. Every district, state, and country must be combating corporate growth that is using up our ecosphere and killing all life. LOOK UP AND WAKE UP.

This map splits Wyandotte County, removing the northern half from the core KC District, and places Lawrence in the 1st Congressional District which stretches all the way across the state to the Colorado border. Instead of listening to their constituents and honoring the hundreds of pieces of testimony already provided by Kansas residents, the Senate committee voted this gerrymandered map out of the committee.

Current Congressional maps were created by the courts and should be altered as little as necessary to accommodate population shifts. The Kansas City Metro is currently whole within Kansas' Third congressional district and should remain in a single district as residents have

shared interests in representation. The Committees on Redistricting should make their maps, agendas, and deadlines available to the public with at least a full week's notice to allow enough time to review maps, and prepare and submit testimony.

Your myopic view of governing reflects the national republican party attempts to over-throw democracy at every chance and you'll get my thanks when you wake up and cancel SB 355 and stop gerrymandering districts against the will of your constituents.

Respectfully,

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