

Dear Re-districting committee,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the second proposed re-districting map that puts Sean Casten and Marie Newman in the same district.

I support the creation of two Latino districts. I agree with the new map putting all of Berwyn, Cicero, Lyons, Stickney, Riverside and the 13th and 23rd wards into the 4th congressional district.

I also support the creation of a second Latino congressional district on the north side of Chicago.

However, it is apparent that the map does not include all of the north side of Chicago and was drawn to protect the seat of Mike Quigley at the expense of Newman and Casten.

I don't think this is fair. The new map keeps one Chicago resident in Congress, adds a seat for another Chicago resident and takes away a suburban Democrat from Congress.

One reason the Democrats took control of Congress in 2018 was the suburban vote. This map is a slap in the face of suburban Democrats and gives more control to Chicago residents than is warranted by its population.

Chicago has a population of 2.7 million. A congressional district under the new census will have 753,000 residents. On average, Chicago should have 4 to 5 districts crossing its boundary. Instead, Chicago will now have 8 districts crossing its boundary, being represented beyond what is warranted by its population.

I think the right thing to do is draw a map on the north side of Chicago that is majority Latino and which takes in more of the north side of Chicago, even if that means Mike Quigley is in a majority Latino district. Have separate districts for Casten and Newman.

The city of Chicago should not be getting another seat at the expense of the suburbs. Please revise this map.

Regards,  
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