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1 PRESENT: (Via videoconference)
2 SENATOR ELGIE R. SIMS, JR., Vice-Chair
3 SENATOR SCOTT M. BENNETT, Member
4 SENATOR MATTIE HUNTER, Member
5 SENATOR STEVE McCLURE, Member
6 SENATOR JASON PLUMMER, Member
7 SENATOR LAURA M. MURPHY, Member,
8 SENATOR CRISTINA CASTRO, Member
9 SENATOR EMIL JONES, III, Member
10 SENATOR SALLY TURNER, Member
11 SENATOR WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM, Member

12 WITNESSES:

13 Phyllis Logan (NAACP)
14 PATRICIA HAYES LACKMAN (Illinois League of Women Voters)
15 CELESTE FLORES (Mano a Mano)
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1 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Good morning. We have a letter
2 from Republican Leader Don McConchie, appointing Senator
3 DeWitte to temporarily replace Senator McConchie on the
4 Redistricting Committee for today's hearing.

5 Apologies. As I said, we have a letter
6 from the Republican Leader McConchie, appointing Senator
7 DeWitte as temporary replacement to the Redistricting
8 Committee for today's hearing. Will the clerk please
9 take the roll.

10 THE CLERK: Senator DeWitte.

11 SENATOR DEWITTE: Present.

12 THE CLERK: Senator Plummer.

13 SENATOR PLUMMER: Present.

14 THE CLERK: Senator McClure.

15 SENATOR McCLURE: Present.

16 THE CLERK: Senator Murphy.

17 SENATOR MURPHY: Here.

18 THE CLERK: Senator Hunter.

19 SENATOR HUNTER: Senator Hunter is here.

20 THE CLERK: Senator Cunningham.

21 SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Here.

22 THE CLERK: Senator Castro.

23 SENATOR CASTRO: Here.

24 THE CLERK: Senator Bennett. Senator Bennett.

1 SENATOR BENNETT: Here.

2 THE CLERK: Senator Sims.

3 SENATOR SIMS: Sims is present.

4 THE CLERK: Senator Aquino.

5 SENATOR AQUINO: Present.

6 MR. RANDAZZO: Mr. Chairman, I believe Senator
7 Jones is coming on. Senator Jones, is that you?

8 SENATOR JONES: Yes, Senator Jones is here.
9 Just logged on.

10 MR. RANDAZZO: You have a quorum, sir.

11 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Excellent. There being a
12 quorum present, the following entities are seeking leave
13 to photograph and video the proceedings to stream live,
14 leave being granted. Senator Sims for a motion.

15 SENATOR SIMS: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I move
16 that a court reporter be allowed to transcribed today's
17 hearing so we can have a record of the proceedings.

18 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Senator Sims moves to allow a
19 court reporter to transcribe today's hearing, leave being
20 granted that the court reporter is allowed to transcribe
21 today's hearing.

22 Today's hearing will focus on the 2020
23 census, the redistricting of Illinois congressional
24 districts, redistricting of current judicial subdistricts

1 in Kane, Lake, McHenry, Boone, Winnebago and Will
2 Counties, and the potential creation of the judicial
3 subcircuits and counties of populations over 150,000.

4 I want to thank Elgin Community College for
5 providing the committee with the location to publicly
6 provide testimony in person. Senator Castro and I
7 believe Senator Dewitt has joined at the hearing location
8 and Senator Castro is there to help assist us with any
9 participants at the location, including staff being
10 present.

11 Speaking of staff, staff has prepared a
12 presentation on census numbers related to the Illinois
13 congressional districts on the current circuits in the
14 collar counties as well as Winnebago and Boone counties.
15 This presentation will be posted on the redistricting
16 committee's page on the Illinois General Assembly's
17 website which is www.ilga.gov. After the presentations we
18 will move to the following witnesses. I believe here we
19 have with us today that have signed up to provide
20 testimony is Phyllis Logan from the NAACP state
21 conference, Celeste Flores, from Mano a Mano Family
22 Resource Center, Mary Mathews and Patricia Hayes Lackman,
23 both from the League of Women Voters in Illinois. And as
24 we always do, we will check to see if there have been any

1 witnesses that have signed in during the hearing, either
2 that have showed up there in person at ECC or onto the
3 Zoom. I will now turn it over to staff for the
4 presentation.

5 MR. RANDAZZO: Thank you, Senator Aquino. As a
6 reminder -- can everybody see the screen? So as a
7 reminder Illinois' population for 2020 came back at
8 12,812,500 persons. That is a decrease from ten years
9 ago, as it was a population decrease, and the appropriate
10 other states, Illinois ended up with one less
11 congressional district for this cycle. The target number
12 for a congressional district is 753,677. The following
13 maps are the maps as they were enacted in 2010. The
14 census data is the 2020 census data. Just going to go
15 through the total pop numbers. The demographic
16 percentages of this will be online later if anybody who
17 wants those.

18 The 1st Congressional District, the
19 statistics, right around 705,949.

20 The 2nd Congressional District is 679,628.

21 The 3rd Congressional District has a
22 population of 725,625.

23 The 4th Congressional District has a
24 population of 698,570.

1 5th Congressional District has a population
2 of 743,449.

3 The 6th Congressional District has a
4 population of 732,745.

5 The 7th Congressional has a population of
6 764,663, while the 8th Congressional has a population
7 number of 716,990. I believe that is for what is
8 in-person numbers today.

9 The 9th Congressional District has a
10 population of 743,156.

11 The 10th Congressional has a population of
12 724,946.

13 The 11th has a population of 706,376.

14 The 12th has a population of 674,870.

15 The 13th has a population of 695,583.

16 The 14th has a population of 753,195.

17 The 15th has a population of 680,293.

18 The 16th district has a population of
19 692,552.

20 The 17th district has a population of
21 673,770, and last district, the 18th district has a
22 population of 701,148.

23 Those are the congressional districts. As
24 part of today's hearing, we are also discussing the

1 results of Public Act 101-0477. This is requiring the
2 General Assembly to redistrict the judicial subcircuits
3 in 2021 and every annual census thereafter, the
4 previously talked about Cook County for redistricting. I
5 have maps for Will County, Kane County, Boone, Winnebago,
6 Lake, and McHenry County all have subdistricts, also
7 redistricting in the collar counties. I also have the
8 adjoining judicial circuits in and around that area, so
9 1st and the 16th Circuit which the hearing today is in,
10 this was first drawn in 2005. It was redrawn in 2011
11 when Kane County was split off from DeKalb and Kendall
12 and DeKalb and Kendall became the 23rd Circuit.
13 Currently there are two judgeships assigned to each of
14 the four subcircuits. Six at-large judgeships and 17
15 associate judgeships. The equal population for a
16 subcircuit in Kane County 129,134. I'm not going to go
17 through the -- for our witnesses and members, I'm not
18 going to go through all the numbers of each of the
19 subcircuits. This will be available online this
20 afternoon.

21 The next subcircuit in the collar county
22 region is the 19th circuit, which is Lake County. The
23 judicial subcircuits in that circuit were created in
24 2005. Currently, there are six subcircuits and the last

1 General Assembly there is Public Act 102-380 requires the
2 General Assembly to divide the county into at least ten
3 subcircuits. By statute currently there are 14
4 judgeships assigned to the subcircuits, three at-large
5 and 25 associate judgeships. At the 6th subcircuit level
6 there would be 119,057 persons for the population.

7 The 22nd Circuit, McHenry county, there are
8 four subcircuits that were created there in 2005. There
9 are four judgeships assigned, one in each subcircuit.
10 There are four at-large judgeships and 11 associate
11 judgeships, equal population for a McHenry County
12 subcircuit 77,557.

13 In the 12th Circuit which is Will County,
14 divided into five subcircuits in 2005. By statute there
15 are five judgeships assigned to each of the five
16 subcircuits. Six residents or at-large judgeships and 22
17 associates judgeships in that circuit. Equal population
18 for a subcircuit in Will County will be 139,274.

19 Du Page County which is not subcircuited
20 but is in the collar county region has a population,
21 total population 972,877. The current -- it is
22 entirely -- the 18th judicial circuit is entirely all of
23 Will County -- I'm sorry, not Will County -- all of
24 DuPage County and only Du Page County. There are

1 currently 15 residents or at-large judges and 33
2 associate judges. The 23rd Circuit, which was mentioned
3 earlier, was previously part of the 16th, is DeKalb and
4 Kendall County. It was created in 2011. No subcircuits
5 by statute. There are eight resident judges and four
6 associate judges.

7 And then the last of our subcircuits, the
8 17th Circuit, which is Boone and Winnebago County
9 together has four judicial subcircuits that were created
10 in 2005 by statute, one judgeships is assigned to each of
11 those four sub circuits. Currently only three are
12 filled, that's due to a retirement issue. As judges
13 retire, they go into the subcircuits. There are
14 currently eight at-large or resident judgeships and 15
15 associate judgeships. The equal population for a
16 subcircuit in the Boone and Winnebago County circuit
17 would be 84,699, Boone County and Winnebago County
18 subcircuits. That's all. Thank you all.

19 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Thank you for that
20 presentation. Moving on, we are again going to be -- we
21 have a few people that have signed up to provide
22 testimony this afternoon -- this evening which includes
23 Phyllis Logan, Celeste Flores, Mary Mathews and Patricia
24 Lackman. I'm going to go in that order so bear with me.

1 I apologize the screen is sloppy. So first up is
2 Ms. Phyllis Logan. There you go. Ms. Logan, if you
3 could just introduce yourself again for the record, for
4 the court reporter to note your name and also the
5 organization that you represent.

6 MS. LOGAN: I am Phyllis Logan, and I'm from
7 Chicago's west side. Can you hear me? Hello? I'm from
8 Chicago's -- west side of Chicago, Cook County. I'm here
9 on behalf of the Illinois State conference of the NACCP
10 as a member of the executive committee as well as first
11 vice president for the Chicago west side branch. I would
12 like to emphasize the importance of complying with the
13 Voting Rights Act and the other laws in the redistricting
14 process as well as the need for an open and transparent
15 process that values communities input for all of our
16 federal, state, and county districts. I was impressed
17 with the back and fourth for the last five years as well
18 as yesterday's meeting, at the end of the meeting with
19 the senators going toe to toe with each other,
20 transparency and all that's being done right now. So
21 with that in particular, I would like to highlight the
22 importance of an open and transparent redistricting
23 process that values meaningful input from community-based
24 organizations and individuals. I have testified, I think

1 at one early on -- early on with the legislators
2 representatives meeting as well as the Senate meeting.
3 The NACCP was welcome to fully participate in the
4 redistricting and map drawing process in both 2000 as
5 well as 2010 at the state and county levels. We were
6 provided with access to tools afforded to us by the
7 state. Unfortunately, this process was unavailable to us
8 this year. Instead the state engaged in a rush, we feel,
9 process that excluded the NACCP and other racially
10 affinitive and civil rights groups. There were only two
11 or three public hearings regarding the last map that had
12 been approved by the state. There was insufficient time
13 notice of these hearings and thus preventing the NACCP
14 from fully participating in the redistricting process.
15 In short, you know, there has been no transparency to the
16 process. The map at issue is not the people's map.
17 Citizens have little to no input prior to -- little or no
18 input prior to the approval. The map that has been
19 approved with the participation of the NAACP would
20 eliminate half of the majority black districts and
21 effectively strip a substantial amount of voting power
22 away from black Illinoisans prior to the approval of
23 president and CEO of the national NAACP, Derek Johnson,
24 and the state Illinois president, Theresa Hailey, sent a

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1 map to the governor or submitted a letter to the governor
2 requesting additional time to evaluate the maps. That
3 request was ignored and on September 24, 2021 the
4 governor signed the map without sufficient time for the
5 NAACP and other community groups to evaluate the map and
6 respond. We were requesting on behalf of the Illinois
7 State Conference of the NAACP, we request that the state
8 legislators reject the currently approved map and
9 acknowledge that as drawn that you guys diluted the
10 voting power of the communities of color by decreasing
11 the number of a black majority districts. We ask that
12 the state legislators engage in a transparent process
13 going forward. These new maps -- that new maps be drawn
14 that properly represent the state's black population and
15 that you comply with the Voting Rights Act. We are
16 familiar with the congressional mapping system as well,
17 process as well. We have three minority majority
18 districts, and I was looking at the numbers as they were
19 being presented earlier. We would like to retain those
20 districts, the 1st and the 2nd and the 7th Congressional
21 District. As far as the county courthouses, circuit
22 places, we have African Americans in all of these areas,
23 communities like Lake County as well as DuPage and
24 Winnebago and McHenry County as well as Will County.

1 They need to be firmly represented when they walk into
2 the courtroom. With that I thank you senators of the
3 committee for allowing me the opportunity to provide a
4 public comment. Thank you.

5 SENATOR AQUINO: Thank you, Ms. Logan. I'm
6 going to begin asking the questions that I'm going to
7 have my colleagues who would like to ask a question be
8 allowed to have that time. But in terms of the subject
9 matter that we are here for today, in terms of
10 congressional maps and the sub circuit maps, do you or
11 the NAACP have maps or will you have maps for those
12 different categories?

13 MS. LOGAN: It has taken all of this time from
14 June to try to acquire the tools and resources needed for
15 us to draw maps. We are having assistance right now to
16 drawing the maps. We are hoping those maps will be
17 delivered to us before this week is out which is why I
18 can only go back to the beginning of the process. We all
19 know about the pandemic. We worked the census, getting
20 the community registered under the census questionnaire.
21 We just felt like the numbers from the mapping in the
22 beginning were incorrect, and we're still standing with
23 that today, which is why I started off with mapping as
24 opposed to a specific designation, but I ended it because

1 I do know that we are talking about congressional
2 districts right now, so thank you.

3 SENATOR AQUINO: I thank you for that. I would
4 like to say, please, once you all do receive those maps,
5 either for congressional or subcircuit, if you would
6 submit them to the committee here via email or on our
7 website so we can make it a part of the official record
8 for those maps.

9 MS. LOGAN: We will work on that.

10 SENATOR AQUINO: I see a hand up. Senator
11 McClure.

12 SENATOR McCLURE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and
13 thank you, ma'am, for your important testimony today. I
14 do -- you made a point to emphasize the need to be able
15 to see whatever the proposed maps look like with enough
16 time for analysis. How much time would you need to
17 properly analyze any map coming out of this committee?

18 MS. LOGAN: I thank you for that question. It's
19 an appropriate question to ask, at the last two meetings
20 that I attended in full, last Friday as well as
21 yesterday. From the time that it took for us to
22 literally find the resources that were afforded to us --
23 we are a nonprofit non-partisan organization -- we are
24 also volunteers at this. Each time in 2000 as well as

1 2010 the state provided us with the materials that were
2 needed to draw maps. We do not have that at our hands so
3 the more time that's required would be afforded to us. I
4 wouldn't put a month to it -- actually I wouldn't put two
5 weeks to it that I've heard people say, but I would put
6 45 days to an end process.

7 SENATOR McCLURE: I think 45 days is a
8 reasonable amount of time, and I think, you know, you
9 should be afforded that to review those maps. I think
10 that's fair. I appreciate you taking the time and for
11 your testimony. Thank you very much.

12 MS. LOGAN: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Just to let you know at the
14 end there -- I don't know if it was just me -- you went
15 out there a little bit, your internet, your signal might
16 be a bit weak where you are at, but I want to make sure
17 that you get your questions out to the witnesses. With
18 that, a reminder to my colleagues both there in person at
19 ECC or participating virtually, please use your raise of
20 hand function to indicate you would like to ask a
21 question. I see none. Ms. Logan, I want to thank you
22 for your testimony and just a reminder, if you can, if
23 you can make sure -- I'll have staff reach out to you so
24 that you have all the information needed for submission

1 of maps that you and/or the NACCP may have for either
2 congressional maps or subcircuit maps. So thank you.

3 Apologies one second. Thank you. Our next
4 witness here, I see you are on the screen is Ms. Flores
5 from Mano a Mano. I see you have participated here in
6 the past. Just as a reminder, state your name for the
7 record and the organization that you are representing and
8 go right ahead and begin your testimony.

9 MS. FLORES: Thank you. My name is Celeste
10 Flores. I'm here on behalf of Mano a Mano Family
11 Resource Center. We are located Round Lake Park and
12 North Chicago, Illinois in Lake county area, but we also
13 serve the McHenry area. Mano a Mano and staff and
14 myself, none of us are -- actually say the word --
15 demographers. We don't know the -- English is my second
16 language, although I speak it perfectly well. You know,
17 we have been part of this process a number of times
18 following the redistricting. Mano a Mano really helps
19 with the census and getting people counted and really
20 relying on this committee along with the house committee
21 to make sure that you all understand the census, the data
22 that's coming out. I have been to a couple of webinars,
23 breaking it out by Latino policy forms and others to
24 really understand how the population has grown and where

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1 it hasn't, and I think for us, we are here to just make
2 sure that both the congressional and the judicial maps,
3 the public is able to see them and analyze them. I was
4 having some issues connecting. I know the staff saw me
5 coming in and out. I did miss part of the presentation
6 that Giovanni gave at the beginning, so I apologize. I
7 didn't see some of those maps. We are thankful for the
8 information that I was able to see and bring back to my
9 community. We think it's very important for the
10 community to have input and be able to see that. I know
11 that this is a process that takes some time and I know it
12 can be wonky and it's definitely something I'm learning
13 for the first time. You know, I'm going to be thankful
14 in ten years that we went through this for next time, but
15 I want to emphasize, the chair in Lake County, we have
16 seen a growth of the community. We have seen a growth in
17 the Latino community across the state, we have seen
18 the growth of the Latino community. I know that Frank
19 presented to the committee yesterday. I was at the house
20 earlier today about the potential have to Latino
21 congressional districts. I'm not advocating for or
22 against it. I'm advocating that you guys use the data,
23 the numbers to decide what is best for how many
24 congressional seats, and if that means two Latino ones, I

1 would welcome that. I think it's really important that
2 we see the representation of the Latino community, and I
3 know up here in Lake County at the county level we see
4 growth in different areas. I don't think Lake County is
5 up to the numbers for a congressional seat to be a Latino
6 seat, maybe in the future, but I want to emphasize the
7 importance of the public being able to see the
8 congressional and judicial map before there is a vote.
9 So thank you all for your time.

10 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Thank you, Celeste. I have a
11 comment before we go into questions, as a reminder the
12 information that Giovanni, our staffer, had presented
13 today and each of these hearings will be on our Illinois
14 Senate redistricting website and also on the ilga.gov
15 website as well. We will make sure that we get that
16 information for your community, and so I see a hand up
17 from Senator McClure. Senator McClure, go ahead.

18 SENATOR McCLURE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Let
19 me know if there are any further problems with my audio.
20 Thank you very much for your testimony. We heard from
21 the previous witness that she needed about a 45 days to
22 review any map before we take a vote on it. We heard
23 testimony from previous hearings, one of which a witness
24 asked for 60 to 90 days to review a map, and you yourself

1 reiterated that you need to have time to analyze any maps
2 before we vote on them. How much time would you need to
3 be able to look at any maps before we take a vote?

4 MS. FLORES: I would -- because I saw this in
5 the house, two weeks.

6 SENATOR McCLURE: At least two weeks. Thank you
7 for your testimony today.

8 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Thank you, Senator. I don't
9 recall see any further hands up. So, Celeste, thank you
10 again for your testimony here today and participating in
11 this process throughout the year, so thank you again.
12 And go back to my notes. I know that we had two people
13 from the Union Legal Voters of Illinois, Mary Mathews and
14 Patricia Lackman who had signed up to provide testimony
15 today. I would ask that at -- or, Senator Castro, if
16 those individuals might be there present. I do not
17 believe I see them on the participant list on the Zoom.
18 So, Senator Castro, are either of those people there
19 present?

20 SENATOR CASTRO: Yes, give us one second.

21 SENATOR AQUINO: Are you able to get set up
22 there at ECC?

23 SENATOR CASTRO: Give us one second. She is
24 getting seated.

1 MS. LACKMAN: My name is Patricia Lackman, and I
2 am a member of the a Women's League Voters of Central
3 Kane County. I appear today authorized by the Women
4 League Voters of Illinois, president Allyson Haut to
5 speak on behalf of the Women League Voters of Illinois.
6 The League of Women Voters of Illinois has worked for
7 reforms for this state redistricting process since the
8 1990s. Our recent efforts have focused on an amendment
9 to the Illinois constitution to provide for more
10 transparent map drawing processes and community input
11 through an independent commission. The League of Women
12 Voters of Illinois has closely monitored the process in
13 the Illinois legislature for the drawings of state house
14 and Senate district maps this spring and summer and has
15 found it lacking in ensuring equity and transparency.
16 Final bills with actual data defining the maps were
17 introduced less than 24 hours before the ILGA took vote
18 approving the maps. This did not allow an opportunity
19 for the public to study the maps, weigh in after the
20 final proposals were released and for the ILGA to respond
21 to making adjustments to maps. No written evidence was
22 provided that the final proposed legislative maps
23 provided equity by meeting the federal Voting Rights Act
24 and the Illinois Voting Rights Acts standards which

1 ensure effective representation of racial and linguistic
2 minorities. The process for adopting Illinois
3 congressional maps is following the same pattern as the
4 one to adopt the state legislative maps. It has a lack
5 of transparency and no assurance that the public will be
6 able to have meaningful input prior to votes approving
7 congressional district maps. Illinois must adopt a
8 redistricting process that is more accessible, equitable
9 and transparent and accountable to the people.
10 Responsibility for redistricting should be vested in an
11 independent special commission. Additionally, the League
12 of Women Voters of Illinois supports redistricting
13 processes and enforceable standards that promote fair and
14 effective representation at all levels of government with
15 maximum opportunity for public participation. Thank you
16 for the opportunity for the Legal of Women Voters of
17 Illinois to express its views on the process of
18 redistricting in Illinois.

19 SENATOR AQUINO: Thank you, Ms. Lackman, for your
20 testimony. I see Senator McClure with his hand up.
21 Senator McClure, go right ahead.

22 SENATOR McCLURE: Thank you, Mr. Chairman, and
23 ma'am, thank you very much for your testimony today. We
24 have heard from the last two witnesses how much time they

1 would need to review any map before we vote on the map.
2 How much time would you think would be appropriate for
3 you to be able to properly review maps that come out of
4 this committee?

5 MS. LACKMAN: Well, the league in the past has
6 given testimony that has asked for a minimum of two weeks
7 between the time the legislation that defines the maps
8 was made available to the public and when the final vote
9 occurs by the ILGA, so a minimum of two weeks.

10 SENATOR McCLURE: So by stressing minimum it
11 sounds like you would appreciate more time, however, your
12 bear minimum would be two weeks.

13 MS. LACKMAN: Bear minimum two weeks.

14 SENATOR McCLURE: Thank you very much.

15 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I see another hand up
16 virtually, our vice-chair, Mr. Sims. Go right ahead.

17 SENATOR SIMS: Thank you, Senator, Mr. Chairman.
18 Ms. Lackman, has the league submitted maps through the
19 portal that's available, the public portable that's
20 available?

21 MS. LACKMAN: The league to my knowledge has not
22 submitted any maps.

23 SENATOR Sims: Okay. Thank you. Thank you,
24 Mr. Chair.

1 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Thank you. And just reviewing
2 again here, I do not see any further hands up so I want
3 to thank Ms. Hayes Lackman again for her testimony this
4 afternoon. I do want to ask, though, we had someone,
5 Mary Mathews also signed up from the League of Women
6 Voters. I just don't want to pass.

7 MS. LACKMAN: Mary Mathews testified in Waukegan
8 earlier today.

9 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Excellent. Then thank you
10 again for your testimony. I want to ask Senator Castro
11 if there is anyone there present that wants to provide
12 any testimony, and, if so, if she can indicate to the
13 committee here.

14 SENATOR CASTRO: There's people in the room, but
15 they do not want to provide testimony.

16 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: And then I just also want to
17 allow for anyone that may have -- I mean I haven't
18 received anything from staff that indicates that anyone
19 signed in virtually but just in case, I want to ask if
20 anyone here virtually that signed into the Zoom wanted to
21 provide testimony, please make sure that you either
22 indicate with raise your hand function or unmute yourself
23 and introduce yourself. Seeing none I will continue.
24 And as a reminder to all and those that have testified

1 here and that are watching, if you want to view the 2020
2 census numbers to draw a community of interest or
3 distribute, please go to our website
4 Illinoisredistricting.com, draw a map using another
5 mapping platform and would like to share it with our
6 committee, please email it to our redistricting committee
7 at senatedem.ilga.gov. Again, redistricting committee at
8 senatedem.ilga.gov. If you want to submit additional
9 testimony or maps, please email them to the same email
10 address, again redistricting committee at
11 senatedem.ilga.gov. Another reminder that the Senate
12 redistricting committee have scheduled the following
13 meetings, Thursday, October 14 noon at the Illinois State
14 Capitol, room 409. That will be virtual hearing but all
15 participants are invited to testify at the hearing
16 location via Zoom. Again, the subject matter for that
17 hearing will be congressional boundaries and the
18 potential creation of subcircuit and counties with a
19 population of more than 150,000. The following day at
20 the end of the week on Friday, October 15th at 2:00 p.m.
21 at the Dunn Richmond Economic Center, conference room 241
22 which is at the Southern Illinois University at
23 Carbondale 1740 Innovation Drive, Carbondale, Illinois.
24 Again, that's a virtual hearing, however, participants

1 may testify there in person or via Zoom as well. Again,
2 the subject matter at that hearing are congressional
3 boundaries and the potential creation of subcircuit
4 counties, a population of more than 150,000 residents,
5 and the last reminder for those that like Ms. Flores, any
6 of those that want to review the presentations that our
7 staff have provided today and at every hearing, you can
8 find that information on both ilga.gov and at the
9 Illinois Senate redistricting website as well. Before we
10 end our day, we see that Senator McClure has raised his
11 hand for a question. Senator McClure, do you have a
12 question?

13 SENATOR McCLURE: Yes. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
14 I believe everyone on this Zoom is aware of media reports
15 that there have been through person panels, map-making
16 panels that have been meeting with congressional
17 candidates over last who knows when, who knows for how
18 long. I guess the question for me is how long has this
19 been going on and are have any of the people on these
20 panels come before the committee so the public can see
21 what's going on here?

22 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Senator, I'm not aware of
23 those reports and any meetings with congressional --
24 you said -- I don't want to put words in your mouth

1 congressional candidates or congress people themselves,
2 but I'm unaware of any meetings, and I'm unaware of those
3 reports.

4 SENATOR McCLURE: Have you done -- my guess if
5 you are unaware of them, when you read those reports you
6 are probably stunned, alarmed. Are you going to be
7 looking into exactly what's happening here, what's going
8 on and seeing what can be done to bring some transparency
9 to this committee so we can all figure out what's going
10 on here?

11 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I'm not aware of those
12 reports, the process of which we are grading these maps,
13 the process we have been doing through the last year is
14 through these hearings in a very public way. I don't
15 know of any meetings with any congressional folks or
16 hopefuls as you just mentioned.

17 SENATOR McCLURE: Well, I guess the other issue
18 here as well, this is the first time I read about, I
19 guess the governor getting involved in the
20 behind-the-scenes process. Are we aware, Mr. Chairman,
21 is the governor going to come testify? Any member of his
22 staff going to testify? As everyone here is fully aware
23 the governor plays an important part in this process as
24 well. He has to sign or veto any potential maps coming

1 out of this committee. Do we know where the governor
2 stands? Is there going to be testimony from his office
3 at any future committees we are aware of?

4 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I haven't been a part or know
5 of any meetings the governor has been a part of. I know
6 that from previous statements that the governor said he
7 would like a fair map that represents the great diversity
8 of our state, and that's what we intend to do so on both
9 a congressional map and for subcircuit maps, but beyond
10 that I can't answer of what the governor's desire,
11 whatnot, as I have not had -- I'm not aware of any
12 conversations with the governor nor have I had
13 conversations with the governor regarding these maps.

14 SENATOR McCLURE: Would it be possible to make a
15 request of the governor or his staff to come testify at
16 one of our last hearings before we vote on the final map?
17 I would be happy to join in a letter with you, Mr.
18 Chairman.

19 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: The hearings, the map-making
20 process is a legislative one. We do that as a general
21 assembly and taking in testimony from the public and
22 that's what we are doing. As you noted, the governor's
23 role is to veto or sign something that we ultimately vote
24 on, and so I think that's the proper venue for them to

1 consider is when we get something to the governor's desk,
2 and as you said noted, he can either sign the legislative
3 maps or rather the subcircuit and congressional maps
4 before him based off of the hearings that we just had and
5 the testimony that we have been listening to or not.
6 That's his role and that's what the expectation that we
7 have of his role in this process.

8 SENATOR McCLURE: So I guess another question,
9 too, Mr. Chairman, it keeps coming up, and I know,
10 hopefully you have had time to reflect. I know Senator
11 Sims yesterday had some questions on this as well, some
12 of our witnesses brought it up, but every single witness
13 has asked for a bare minimum of two weeks, one witness
14 asked for 45 days to review any maps that come out of
15 this committee. Mr. Chairman, are we going to get some
16 sort of a commitment to allow for, at a bare minimum two
17 weeks before we vote on the maps so all these wonderful
18 people who took the time today to testify and look into
19 these issues can have a chance to properly review them
20 and give statements and testify before our committee
21 before we vote on these maps for the final time?

22 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: What I can say we are going
23 through this process now and have this meeting. Right
24 before you asked your questions, I have noted when we

1 have scheduled hearings to talk about this subject
2 matter. We have done so since last Friday and have
3 planned four meetings this week, and I know the house has
4 there own five total meetings that they are going
5 through. I do not know when a map is going to be before
6 us, but I know that we are getting ready utilizing all
7 the testimony that has been provided here and also shared
8 with us either directly via email or sent to our
9 redistricting committee website, and all that information
10 is to view for the public on the website on ilga.gov.

11 SENATOR McCLURE: I appreciate that and we
12 can view that; however, is there an update who is drawing
13 these maps and are these folks going to be using the
14 portal to review maps? Are they watching the committee
15 hearings? Are they reading the report in the papers
16 about behind the scenes, closed doors meetings involving
17 some three-person map panel? I guess to what extent are
18 the people that are drawing these maps being informed
19 about the committee and what's available online and
20 everything else?

21 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Well, I would say we have
22 already received several maps during these hearings that
23 I think yesterday and the first Tuesday of this week, I
24 know there were two maps submitted just during that

1 hearing alone. We heard testimony today possible maps
2 being submitted by the NACCP so we are open and asking
3 folks to submit maps via the public portal so they can be
4 part of the official record and also so we can actually
5 have discussions on those and that's what the purpose of
6 these hearings are. I would encourage, Senator, that if
7 you have a map or if I have a map as well to review that
8 we have, again, after today two more hearings that you
9 all can present a map on congressional districts or any
10 subcircuit map that you would like and we could have
11 discussions on those maps as well.

12 SENATOR McCLURE: And I appreciate that, Mr.
13 Chairman, but I do have to say that over the course of my
14 time serving on this committee dealing with the previous
15 maps, dealing with this map, I think that my big
16 takeaway being cemented in my brain even before this
17 hearing began, how critical it is that politicians are
18 not the ones drawing the maps, and I think the voices
19 from our communities across the state and what they are
20 saying is prime examples why politicians should not be
21 drawing these maps. With that being said, I would
22 encourage you, Mr. Chairman, to take your own advice and
23 upload your own map to the portal, and I think that would
24 satisfy much of the transparency issues that we are

1 having now. I think the public needs to see these maps
2 with enough time to make a proper analysis, and I want to
3 reiterate how thankful I am that we have witnesses who
4 are still willing to come testify and provide their
5 insights and put themselves out there, facing scrutiny
6 during questioning and everything else, despite the fact
7 that there has been no transparency and the process that
8 unfolded with the previous maps that were passed seem to
9 indicate that these people's advice and genuine research
10 and genuine concern for our state which was reflected in
11 their testimony was ignored, and I would encourage all
12 these folks to stay involved in government. Your voices
13 are important, and I apologize to you that this process
14 at this moment is still what it is, but I would encourage
15 my friend, the chairman, and my friend on the other side
16 of the aisle to submit their maps to the portal so we can
17 see what the maps look like. It's not too late to turn
18 this around and to provide enough time for the witnesses.
19 I hope we can do that. I hope we can hear from the
20 governor's office and the people behind the scenes
21 drawing these maps, I think it's important to the public,
22 and I thank you, Mr. Chairman, taking my questions and
23 thank you very much for allowing me to ask these
24 questions, and I hope some of what I said is taken into

1 consideration and some of what the wonderful witnesses
2 have said is taken into consideration and the committee
3 needs to hear out it to change drastically.

4 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Senator, there was a question
5 at the end there, but there was a comment. I just want
6 to make sure I correct the record. I do not have a map.
7 There is no map outside to submit to our portal because
8 we are taking input from the public, and we cannot have a
9 map without having all our hearings and taking all that
10 input from all these folks and spend some time to provide
11 their perspective from all parts of the state of
12 Illinois, that's why we are having these hearings and
13 finishing up these hearings on Friday, and I know that's
14 why the House is doing their work to make sure that more
15 and more folks are part of the process. There cannot be
16 a product when you are still in the listening process and
17 taking in the testimony and even maps from the public,
18 because this actually is a -- these are actually products
19 of these hearings and of the public. So there is, again,
20 there is no map to be submitted at this moment. And so,
21 with that, I see Senator Plummer's hand up and go right
22 ahead.

23 SENATOR PLUMMER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So
24 hearing what you just said, and I understand the point

1 you feel that you can't draw a map without hearing all
2 this testimony and hearing all the comments. I take from
3 that, I'm assuming that the public and witnesses that are
4 involved in this also taking from that what you are
5 saying, you are taking all of this information and that
6 you will then draw the map or the members on your side of
7 the aisle in this committee will then draw the map; is
8 that what I'm understanding?

9 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: For the last year and dealing
10 with these maps for congressional and subcircuit maps are
11 to have hearings for public information, get information
12 from the public, and that's what we are doing. I
13 personally will not be drawing a map and as I haven't
14 drawn a map for previous maps that we have worked on
15 earlier this year. What I am saying, in the words that I
16 am saying is that the maps -- eventually the General
17 Assembly should have been working on for the last year
18 have been -- was a direct result from testimony here,
19 from information that was sent directly to our committees
20 from a number of hearings that we have had this year. I
21 think at this point over 60, close to 70 hearings
22 altogether with the House and Senate combined. I think
23 we have had a number of hearings already. We have also
24 had a public portal that has been opened for all

1 different types of maps that the general assembly has
2 been taking up. The resulting map that we have voted in
3 the past and I would imagine we will continue to do for
4 these congressional maps and for potential subcircuit
5 maps are going to be the General Assembly's map because
6 it is a bill that we all vote on, so it's a result of the
7 General Assembly's work, taking in all the testimony from
8 these hearings.

9 SENATOR PLUMMER: And I appreciate that. I
10 just heard you say you are not drawing the map. You
11 didn't draw any of the previous maps from the spring, and
12 that's fine. I absolutely believe that. So I guess my
13 question is as chairman of the committee who is drawing
14 the maps?

15 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: As you know, Senator Plummer,
16 I do not know. As you know as a member of this
17 committee, from the very beginning for all the other
18 maps, you know this, the map essentially is a piece of
19 legislation. So there have been pieces of legislation
20 that have been introduced and even amended and passed in
21 this committee, like in all other committees, and that's
22 what we have done. I have not been the chief sponsor of
23 any of these previous maps, and I don't intend to be a
24 chief sponsor on the future maps and so because of that I

1 don't have that answer for you, but what I can say, as a
2 committee that has been taking in testimony but also
3 eventually going to be voting on a piece of legislation
4 that you and members from your side, like in any other
5 committee at issue can introduce a piece of legislation.
6 If you want to introduce a map and enter a piece of
7 legislation, you can go right ahead and do so. I didn't,
8 as you know, someone who -- on this committee, those
9 previous sponsors, so in terms of who's working on that,
10 I don't have those answers because I wasn't the one to
11 work on that.

12 SENATOR PLUMMER: So, I mean, look, I don't how
13 many times to say this, I said yesterday to Senator Sims.
14 I'll repeat myself again today. We have said, we being
15 the folks on my side of the aisle, and I think we have
16 been joined in course with a litany of organizations from
17 across the political spectrum during this entire process,
18 what we said from the very beginning is that legislators
19 should not be drawing this map. I haven't drawn a map,
20 you know, it's like asking a vegetarian if they had steak
21 last night, the answer is no, why? Let me be very clear:
22 Politicians should not be drawing maps, period. End of
23 story. There is only one group of politicians that think
24 they should control this process and it churns on people

1 on our side of the aisle, and there is absolutely no
2 reason for every answer to every inquiry to be have you
3 submitted a map yet. I don't think politicians should
4 draw the maps, but you have said numerous times now in
5 the last few minutes that the eventual map that we
6 eventually see will be a product of the testimony from
7 these hearings. The natural question would then be if
8 you are not drawing the map and if you don't know who is
9 drawing the map, how can you make that statement? If you
10 are not drawing the map and you don't know who is drawing
11 the map, how do you know that the maps will be a product
12 of the testimony of these witnesses?

13 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Senator, I'm going to take a
14 couple steps back because I want to make a note of
15 something. You said that, you know, politicians
16 shouldn't draw the map, however, this is a legislative
17 process and in the legislative process legislators
18 introduce a piece of legislation that eventually gets
19 voted first in the committee and then on to the floor.
20 Like any other piece of legislation, while we might be
21 those to introduce a bill and to push those forward in
22 the Capitol, because that is our job, we do that, though,
23 with a coalition of folks and people and testimony and
24 experts that are behind a piece of legislation. So these

1 are legislations that maybe run in the Capitol but it's
2 with the input and support and especially input of
3 experts of the folks from our community, that's why
4 during the process you have bills that go to committees
5 to hear testimony from folks, and that's exactly what we
6 are doing here of the legislative bill. So our job is to
7 actually to pass legislation, and that's what we intend
8 to do, and what we are doing here as the committee on
9 redistricting is to get that insight from people from all
10 across the State of Illinois, from experts and laypeople
11 alike to make sure that their voices are heard during
12 this process, that's what we want to make sure that is
13 continuing to happen, that's why we are having all these
14 hearings and we will continue to have these hearings
15 tomorrow and the next day and also have our public portal
16 open for folks to submit maps, to submit testimony, to be
17 part of this process. So that's exactly what we will do,
18 we will continue to do so, and I would say that is our
19 job, and we are doing our job.

20 SENATOR PLUMMER: I would say we participate in
21 all these hearings in the nine months no matter how
22 offensive they have been because we agree as legislators
23 in the General Assembly, we need to be informed on what
24 we are voting. We need to make sure what the citizens of

1 this state want. What I hear consistently from the
2 witnesses, I heard it again today, heard it yesterday,
3 heard it for the last nine months, they want
4 transparency. They want -- you keep saying we have these
5 hearings, we are having a hearing tomorrow, Friday. We
6 have done five or six hearings and patting yourself on
7 the back, that's fine, but they are hearings like
8 throwing darts against the wall. No one has a map to
9 comment on. I guess now would be an excellent time since
10 you care about these hearings and you care about the
11 transparency, are we going to have public hearings after
12 the mysterious maps that are being drawn by these
13 mysterious people that no one knows who they are, but yet
14 we are making assurances that they know about all this
15 testimony, will there be public hearings on the map that
16 we are going to vote on in the General Assembly? That's
17 what the witnesses want. Every single witness, witnesses
18 from all over the place want that. So will there be
19 public hearings after the map that we are going to vote
20 on is introduced?

21 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: With each piece of legislation
22 that comes before the General Assembly, it goes directly
23 to a committee to take a vote. There will be a
24 legislation that comes before this committee to take a

1 vote before anything goes to the floor so that is the
2 process.

3 SENATOR PLUMMER: Since we care about
4 transparency and we want to make sure that the public has
5 all this time to comment, I guess a curiosity of mine, is
6 the data for these maps was released on August 12th.
7 why have we waited until mid October to start hearings?
8 Why did we waste very valuable time when the public could
9 be engaged?

10 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I don't think any time was
11 wasted. As you can imagine, any data that comes before
12 any votes, there's time to analyze the data. You can't
13 instantly take a look and be able to opine upon those
14 data that came out on August 12. There has to be time to
15 able to analyze that data in a way where experts and
16 other folks will be able to opine about creation of maps.
17 So that's where we are at now where we have folks that
18 are coming with that census data that we intend to use
19 for congressional and subcircuit maps and that's why we
20 are here today to continue our work and
21 end up with a finished product sometime soon.

22 SENATOR PLUMMER: So do you know when we will be
23 voting on the maps? Do you know what date we are voting
24 on these maps?

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1 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I do not.

2 SENATOR PLUMMER: Will it happen during veto
3 session?

4 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I do not know.

5 SENATOR PLUMMER: But it doesn't have to happen
6 during veto session, correct?

7 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Sir, what I would say to that
8 is that as chairman of this committee and as legislator
9 in the General Assembly, we have a responsibility to get
10 our work done in appropriate time, so I would say
11 certainly we all know that there's elections coming in
12 2022 from judicial folks all the way to the general
13 assembly to those that want to represent the communities
14 in Congress to our constitutional members for the sake of
15 this state, and we all know that the petition season
16 starts for that in January. I do believe that it is
17 important for the people of Illinois to --

18 SENATOR PLUMMER: Did everybody else lose audio
19 from the chairman?

20 Senator Sims, can you maybe step in here as
21 vice-chair? It seems like we lost the chairman.

22 VICE-CHAIR SIMS: Absolutely, Senator Plummer.
23 We seem to have a technical difficulty with Senator
24 Aquino Chair, his audio and internet connection.

1 SENATOR PLUMMER: He was in the process --

2 VICE-CHAIR SIMS: If you can restate your
3 question.

4 SENATOR PLUMMER: He was in the process of
5 answering my question. Is there a law or statute or a
6 rule or anything that mandates that we vote on a
7 congressional map during the veto session?

8 VICE-CHAIR SIMS: I'm not going to presume or
9 know what Senator Aquino was going to say, other than to
10 say the legislative calendar has been halted since the
11 spring legislative session ended so possibly the timeline
12 for the spring legislative calendar. We moved the action
13 of the General Assembly, the date for the 2022 primary
14 election was adjusted to reflect that timing and now we
15 have the ability to take this matter up as we have any
16 other legislative measure which the General Assembly has
17 scheduled.

18 SENATOR PLUMMER: Unless someone can disprove to
19 me, I'm going to state for the record here, we don't have
20 to vote on this map during the veto session. You know,
21 this argument about a calendar being posted, that's
22 silly, and we have had special sessions already this year
23 on very short notice. We don't even know the precise
24 calendar for veto session yet.

1 VICE-CHAIR SIMS: Senator.

2 SENATOR PLUMMER: Let me finish my comment.

3 VICE-CHAIR SIMS: Hold on one second. Senator
4 Aquino is back.

5 SENATOR PLUMMER: Thank you, Senator Sims for
6 stepping in there.

7 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Apologies to everyone.
8 Internet issues here, but I am back, and I was going to
9 finish my comment -- not comment but the answer to
10 Senator Plummer's question earlier. But what I was
11 saying was that we have a responsibility to get all these
12 maps done in due time. As we know in 2022 there are
13 elections that are happening not only from the general
14 assembly for congressional for constitutional officers
15 and for our judicial branch as well, and so I wanted to
16 make sure that every person has a voice and a vote and we
17 have to make sure that we are getting our work done in
18 due time. That's what I would say to that comment. We
19 have some work to do, and I intend to make sure that we
20 get our work done in the adequate time to leave people
21 the opportunity to have their vote casted on time in
22 2022.

23 SENATOR PLUMMER: Okay. Okay. So to your point
24 about making sure that everyone has a say in the process

1 and everyone has a fair opportunity to vote, a fair
2 opportunity to have their voices heard, I would assume
3 that you want people to have a fair opportunity to pursue
4 elected office if they chose to do so. Do you find it
5 odd that there's a lot of people -- there's multiple
6 people on your side of the aisle that have announced they
7 are running for Congress for a particular seat? They are
8 even raising money for campaigns for Congress for
9 particular seats but nobody on our side has done that.
10 Now nobody on our side has done that because we don't
11 know what the map is going to look like. But you have
12 people on your side of the aisle making significant life
13 decisions, disruptive life decisions, raising money on
14 these decisions on a map that they supposedly don't know.
15 Why do you think there would be this very clear partisan
16 divide between democrats announcing for seats and raising
17 money as if they might know what a map is going to look
18 like versus the Republicans who are completely in the
19 dark?

20 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: Senator, I'm not going to go
21 into a political conversation nor am I going to
22 psychoanalyze someone's decision to run for anything.
23 What I would say, we all know there is not a
24 congressional map out there because that is our

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1 responsibility as General Assembly to do so. As I have
2 stated a number of times, I have not seen a map. There
3 is not, to my knowledge, any map out there, except for
4 those that have submitted maps to our public portal
5 that's part of the official record. So in terms of
6 answering a question of why someone would decide, I can't
7 do that. I can't speak for other folks.

8 SENATOR PLUMMER: So would you agree as chairman
9 of the committee and someone that cares so much about
10 public input, someone who cares so much about
11 transparency, would you agree we have had special
12 sessions this year, we don't know what the veto calendar
13 is going to look like? We don't have to vote on this map
14 during veto session, so would you agree if a map is
15 presented, and there is not enough time in veto session
16 left to make sure that there's at least two weeks of
17 public input on that map, would you agree to work with
18 President Harmon and/or the governor to call a special
19 session, maybe late October, maybe early November, mid
20 November -- there is plenty of time on the calendar --
21 would you agree to delay the vote until maybe a special
22 session, if necessary, to make sure there is enough time
23 for public review, public time to vote on the map?

24 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: I'm a little concerned because

1 as a senator, I would hope that you know our veto session
2 was scheduled since May of this year. It's on the
3 calendar. We know what the calendar is going to be for
4 veto session. I would say that our work is -- again, my
5 intention is to make sure that our work gets completed in
6 due time, and if that has to be during veto session, that
7 would be two weeks away. Again, we ask for folks to
8 participate in this process, to submit maps to the public
9 portal, I believe, this Friday. So I would ask for you
10 and your colleagues and others to take a part in this
11 process and do so and engage with us and actually work on
12 this and let's pull our sleeves up to get to work rather
13 than deflect and not participate in this process
14 whatsoever.

15 SENATOR PLUMMER: I have one or two questions
16 left. It's a bit tedious not having questions answered.
17 You just highlighted that the veto session calendar has
18 been posted for awhile, and you lectured me as a senator
19 I should know that and I do know it. I also know the
20 rules and those rules imply that we don't have to vote on
21 this during veto session, but as chairman of the
22 committee since the veto session calendar has been posted
23 for so long and since the data for the map came out on
24 August 12, why as chairman of the committee did you wait

1 until the eve of veto session to hold these hearings?

2 Why did they not start in August?

3 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: That was asked and answered.
4 That was asked already earlier, and it has been answered.

5 SENATOR PLUMMER: It was asked and filibustered.
6 It was not asked and answered. The fact of the matter,
7 politicians should not be drawing the maps. An
8 independent commission should be drawing the map. We
9 introduced legislation to have an independent commission
10 draw the maps, a commission made up of citizens, a
11 commission made up of Illinoisans, not back-room dealing
12 politicians behind closed doors drawing maps to their
13 benefit to the detriment of the people of Illinois.
14 These hearings are a sham. You know it. I know it.
15 Everyone knows it. It's a circus. This process has been
16 called -- not by me, not by politicians -- this process
17 has been called by non-partisan independent groups, it
18 has been called by the media the worst redistricting
19 process in the history of the State of Illinois.

20 The witnesses and advocacy groups still to
21 this day -- I mean Ms. Phyllis Logan's testimony earlier
22 today could not have been more well stated. She hit the
23 nail on the head. This process has been offensive. It's
24 been exclusionary. It's been corrupt and it's given the

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1 voters of the state -- it's given the people of the state
2 the most clearly and compelling example why us
3 politicians shouldn't be in the process, but it's the
4 process we chose. It's the process that you are
5 championing drawing maps behind closed doors, bringing in
6 potential candidates and sharing information with them
7 before the public, that's what's occurring here. You can
8 try to deflect every question and say that, well, we
9 should have submitted a map or this or that. But, no,
10 you shouldn't be submitting maps, we shouldn't be
11 submitting a map. An independent commission should be
12 submitting a map. The citizens should have time to
13 comment on it, and once a map is submitted to the General
14 Assembly, they should be able to vote on it. I would be
15 ashamed to sit in your chair right now, handling these
16 hearings and this process the way they have been handled.
17 I repeat again: The media and advocacy groups are
18 calling this the worst redistricting process in the
19 history of the state, probably the worst redistricting
20 process in the history of the country. The arrogance,
21 the contempt for Illinoisans, the disdain in which these
22 witnesses are being held in is truly a sign of the
23 direction of the State of Illinois. We need an open
24 process. We need transparency. We need public input.

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1 We don't need politicians picking their voters. We need
2 the voters picking their politicians, and you have time,
3 Chairman Aquino. You have time to change course. You
4 have time to make this transparent. You have time to
5 shine a spotlight on the process and empower the people
6 of Illinois. I can't tell you what to do, but I sure can
7 encourage you to do the right thing.

8 CHAIRMAN AQUINO: No further questions? There
9 is no question in that long speech, and I appreciate
10 that. There being no further business to come before the
11 committee, this meeting of the redistricting committee
12 stands adjourned.

13 (Off the record 5:27 p.m.)
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