

Members of the Board,

In the past year you've ignored the will of the voters over 7 times regarding illegally gerrymandered maps. It was obvious then that you were waiting the clock out to just allow yourselves to use the maps you desired, and it worked.

Since that strategy paid off in full I see you decided to entirely eschew the will of the voters by waiting until you could have a court that would rubber stamp any decision sent their way.

A wise man once said "If conservatives become convinced that they cannot win democratically, they will not abandon conservatism. They will reject democracy," unfortunately, Ohio seems to be proving this more and more lately.

I understand that my words mean very little at the end of the day, but understand, I have been a lifelong Ohioan.

I grew up on farmland playing in creeks, I raced motocross as a kid.

I spent my summers working and playing at Kings Island.

I do not want to leave this state, I love it here.

But anymore, I can't bring myself to justify the animosity towards the majority of voters in Ohio.

Thank you for your time,

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