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To the Redistricting Commission,

My name is Kim Anderson, a lifelong resident of Ohio and a 41 year resident of Lucas County. I am an Independent voter. I celebrated when Ohio showed its true colors and voted overwhelmingly in 2015 and 2018 for redistricting reforms; we had begun that slippery slope of increasing the political division in our state by enhancing gerrymandering tactics. ENOUGH already! Ohio is better than this!

I am writing to ask that this current redistricting process be fair, open, transparent, and bipartisan, as the electorate wanted. I think democracy suffers when one party, either party, manipulates the voting maps to keep them in power. Ohio needs to set an example, not be the laughing stock, as evidenced by and frequently referred to, "snake on the lake" district...By drawing maps without political partiality, more voters will be fairly represented; communities and their services will remain intact. Faith will be restored to democracy.

As you know, the drawing of district maps has huge consequences. Please stick to the Ohio constitution by adhering to the redistricting reforms and restore credibility to Ohio's voting.

Thank you,
Kim Anderson
Congressional District 9