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## Hey there,

Please take time to carefully review this US Congressional Research Report from March 19th, 2019. This is in relation to racial gerrymandering, by governments setting narrow / restrictive requirements for minority populations per district in an effort to be Voting Rights Act compliant. Both cases are now settled. It was affirmed to be in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment's Equal Protection Clause by the US Supreme Court.

Creating **affirmative competitive districts** for minorities is a distinct difference from creating **secured outcomes** for minorities. However, it appears that the Dolores Huerta Foundation believes that creating secured outcomes for minorities is the proper way to represent the minority population, and has used their "educational non-profit" resources to make citizens believe such. This not only reduces potential competitive districts for minorities, it also ensures the likelihood for non-minorities to win office in those non-competitive districts.

I recommend considering straying away from gerrymandering minorities into few, but strong, districts - *it goes against standard redistricting practices* by needlessly cracking communities of interest and packing minorities into those districts, and would be unconstitutional against the ECA.

It would be improper and inhumane to foster such racial division, by utilizing segregationist tactics, which is what the Dolores Huerta Foundation seems to desire.

## https://sgp.fas.org/crs/misc/LSB10273.pdf

Racial Gerrymandering: Past Cases and the Supreme Court's Upcoming Decision in Bethune-Hill II Congressional Research Service March 14, 2019

Thank you for your due diligence.