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Pack the Park for Fair Maps! Rally At Bay Beach This Saturday

Green Bay, WI (August 24th, 2021) - The 2020 census data was released on August 12 and already there has been a lawsuit filed in Wisconsin concerning our gerrymandered voting district maps. There is pending Fair Maps legislation awaiting public hearings (AB395 and SB389). All across the state, Wisconsinites on both sides of the aisle are standing up to end gerrymandering. Before the legislature begins work to draw new district voting maps, we will use our voices to demand that Fair Maps are drawn for the next 10 years. Polls show 72% of Wisconsinites want this. Voters Deserve Fair Maps — and on Saturday, August 28, we will come together and be heard.

This Saturday, August 28th, more than 30 vehicles decorated with Fair Maps swag will converge from the south and north in De Pere for a parade to Bay Beach Amusement Park in Green Bay where the Wisconsin Fair Maps Coalition, in association with numerous community organizations and friends will "Pack the Park for Fair Maps!", a rally in support of nonpartisan redistricting.

The fun begins in Appleton at 8:45 am where Fair Maps advocates will gather in costume with decorated vehicles at the I-41 and Ballard Road Park & Ride. The caravan departs for De Pere at 9:00 am, where they will meet up with their Green Bay area counterparts at the I-41 and Main Street Park & Ride. At 9:45 am they will embark on a

parade route through De Pere, Ashwaubenon, and Green Bay (https://goo.gl/maps/W8wUUtkmkk7YbQp58), arriving at Bay Beach Amusement Park amidst music, revelry, and enthusiasm for Fair Maps.

The rally kicks off at 11:00 am, emceed by the dynamic Kristin Brey of "As Goes Wisconsin" fame. Featured speakers include co-Author of AB395 (Fair Maps Bill) Representative Deb Andraca (AD23), Former State Senators Dan Theno (R) and Dave Hansen (D), Director of the Fair Elections Project Sachin Chheda, and Executive Director of the League of Women Voters - WI Debra Cronmiller.

At noon, we will turn our attention to the Packers vs Bills on the big screen in shelter #3, where diverse local and statewide organizations including the American Association of University Women, Citizens Climate Lobby, Citizen Action of Wisconsin, For Our Future WI, Kids for Fair Maps, League of Women Voters - Green Bay, League of Women Voters - Fox Valley, Moms Demand Action, Opportunity Wisconsin, Racial Equity Committee of Brown County, Wisconsin Conservation Voters and others will be sharing information and getting the word out about the importance of nonpartisan redistricting.

The mission of the **Wisconsin Fair Maps Coalition** is to "advocate for and enact, in law and practice, an independent & nonpartisan redistricting method in Wisconsin, and to educate and engage the public in the process of adopting and implementing nonpartisan maps". It is in this spirit that we are thrilled to bring "Pack the Park for Fair Maps!" to Bay Beach, appreciating the charm of this timeless city park and engaging with the Wisconsinites who share it.

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