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Dear Members of the 87th Legislature:

Today, the U.S. Census Bureau will release the population count data from the 2020 Census. The official data files will be able to be accessed on the Census Bureau's website at https://www.census.gov/.

Texas Legislative Council (TLC) is inputting the data into the RedAppl redistricting software, and has indicated that the software will be updated and available for use by September 1. TLC will notify Legislators when RedAppl is available with the new data. In addition, the data files, as well as information on TLC's redistricting resources, will be available for download on TLC's website at https://redistricting.capitol.texas.gov/.

After the population count data is available in RedAppl, the House Redistricting Committee will hold additional hearings to gather input from the public. At those hearings, the Committee will welcome public testimony from across the State. The hearings will be held at the Texas Capitol, with the opportunity for virtual participation. Additional details regarding these upcoming hearings will be forthcoming. Once finalized, I ask that you help distribute the hearing schedule widely to your constituents, the media, and other interested parties.

Your participation at these hearings is always welcome. In addition, the hearings will be live-streamed at https://house.texas.gov/video-audio/committee-broadcasts/.

I look forward to working with you and hearing from the public once the 2020 Census population data is available. Please contact my Committee office at (512) 463-9948 if you have any questions, suggestions, or further input.

Very truly yours,

Todd Hunter

State Representative - District 32

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