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The Latino Policy Forum Urges Governor Pritzker to Veto Inequitable Legislative Maps

CHICAGO -- The Latino Policy Forum urges Governor Pritzker to veto the Illinois legislative maps passed by legislators this week, which do not equitably reflect the state's Latino community.

Despite recent 2020 census data indicating that Illinois added 309,832 Latinos (the largest population increase among racial/ethnic groups statewide), no Latino-majority districts were added in the maps passed by the general assembly. In fact, preliminary analysis and reports show that some Latino-majority districts are diluted even more, further hindering the community's ability to elect the representatives of their choice.

Furthermore, as with the maps from the spring, the Illinois legislature did not provide advocates with a reasonable timeline that would enable community input.

The Forum supports and stands alongside efforts led by the United Congress of Community and Religious Organizations (UCCRO), the IL Muslim Civic Coalition, the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights, and other allies that denounce the passed maps.

Read the Forum's recent statements on why Illinois Latinos were shortchanged by the redistricting maps signed into law in the spring:

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