



League of United Latin American Citizens

RESOLUTION TO REJECT PLAINTIFFS' CLAIMS IN EVENWEL V. ABBOTT AND RECOGNIZE EQUAL STATUS OF CONSTITUENTS

WHEREAS, the U.S. Supreme Court has agreed to hear the case of Evenwel v. Abbott in the Court's 2015-2016 term, and

WHEREAS, the plaintiffs in the Evenwel case assert that the Constitution requires that the election districts across the nation be equalized based on voter population rather than total population as districts have been constructed for over 50 years, and

WHEREAS, equalizing districts based on something other than total population would discount non-voters, such as minor children and immigrants, entirely, as though they are not constituents of the election district, and

WHEREAS, Latino elected officials, who represent districts with more children and immigrants, would see their districts significantly enlarged in comparison to other districts;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that LULAC believes that every resident is a constituent, and that every person should count in equalizing the population of electoral districts, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LULAC urges the Supreme Court to recognize the equal status of each person in an electoral district by rejecting the plaintiffs' claims in Evenwel v. Abbott.

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