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VIA EMAIL (bkemp@sos.ga.gov)

The Honorable Brian Kemp
Georgia Secretary of State
214 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Doraville North Precinct and House Districts 81 and 79

Dear Secretary Kemp:

It has come to my attention that hundreds of voters who reside in the 81st State House District, which I have represented since 2013 when the current map went into effect, have been incorrectly marked as being in the 79th State House District. This is an extremely serious error that must be fixed immediately. A map detailing the problem is attached.

By way of background, the 81st State House District was one of the most gerrymandered legislative districts in Georgia during the 2011 reapportionment process. It is also one of the few competitive districts in the state—meaning it is fairly balanced between Democratic and Republican voters.

The precinct at issue is **Doraville North**. A preliminary analysis has identified the extent of the problem to be **694** voters. A strong majority of these voters tend to vote for Democratic candidates and they were incorrectly placed in House District 79—a district that had a Republican incumbent who was unopposed in the general elections in 2012, 2014, and 2016. As you know, I am a Democrat.

As such, I would like to request an explanation as to how this occurred and who is responsible. I am copying Erica Hamilton, the Director of Voter Registration and Elections in DeKalb County.

Regards,

Scott Holcomb
Representative, District 81

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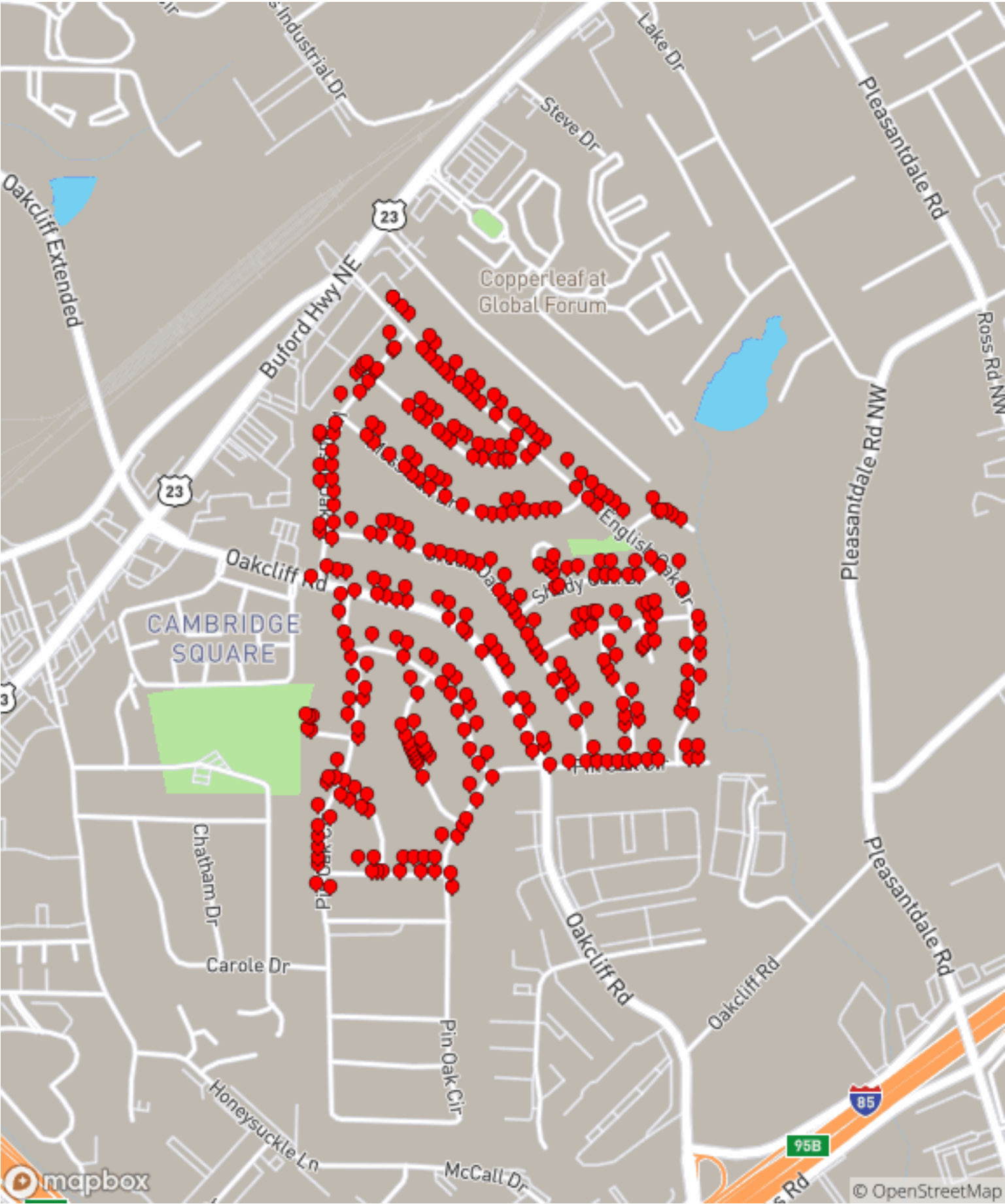
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