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## **Representative Chambliss Explains Absence from Special Session**

**HOMESTEAD, Fla.** – Following the recent birth of his daughter, **Representative Kevin Chambliss (D- Homestead)** will not be attending the Special Session on Congressional Redistricting this week.

**Representative Chambliss** said, “Due to the recent birth of my daughter, Kayla Grace, I will not be able to participate in this week’s Special Session on Congressional Redistricting. After consulting my wife and our doctor, I believe that I am most needed here with her, Kayla, and the rest of our children as my wife recovers from her surgery and Kayla navigates this new world.

While I will not be there in person, I will be using my voice via social media to express my sincerest disappointment with the Governor's proposed Congressional Map. His involvement in this process is inappropriate and the map that he has presented is unconstitutional. The proposed districts in Central and North Florida, radically different than the current map, cannot be allowed to stand. This attempted redrawing of Florida’s Congressional districts disenfranchises Black and Brown voices in the electoral process. Although I am disappointed, I am more than confident that my colleagues in Tallahassee will fight this plan and expose the flaws in the Governor’s plan and the Legislature’s decision to let him make all the decisions.

It is my utmost belief, that in the Land of the Free, and the Home of the Brave, that Justice will prevail. Whether that be in the Florida House or through the Judicial System is yet to be determined.”

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