## **Much Ado About Congressional Districts**

The 23<sup>rd</sup> District is shown below in purple. This has been Tompkins County's Congressional District since January 2013 and will be until January 3, 2023. Every 10 years, after the US population is counted in the Census, the congressional district lines are redrawn to ensure equal representation.

Because the numbers of people living in any given place change, the district lines change accordingly, while the people drawing the lines must also create districts of equal population.

The second map below has the congressional districts that will go into effect in January of 2023. Tompkins County will be in the 19<sup>th</sup> Congressional District (shaded in yellow) beginning January 3, 2023.

**The Special Election**, brought about by Tom Reed's resignation, is for Congressional District 23, our current (through January 3, 2023) district



The Democratic Primary Election is to determine who will be on the Democratic line in November for Congressional District 19, our district as of January 3, 2023.

