

To: California Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC)  
 Whittier Public Hearing  
 Friday, June 17, 2011

**ARCADIA: Petition for a Redrawing of Legislative Lines as a Natural "Community of Interest" inclusive with the San Gabriel Foothill Mountain Neighbor Cities of Sierra Madre / Monrovia / Duarte / Bradbury / Glendora / Azusa / San Dimas – Los Angeles County**

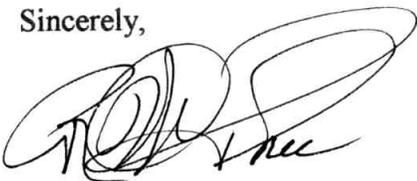
- **ARCADIA** with its northern-most neck stretching into the Los Angeles National Forest and between Sierra Madre & Monrovia as a redistricted "no fly zone" has been creatively beheaded from and 'gerrymandered' out of the Natural "Communities of Interest" with its neighboring San Gabriel Foothill Mountain communities of Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, Bradbury, Glendora, Azusa, & San Dimas
- Instead of keeping **ARCADIA** as a **contiguous community**, it was thrown into the Balkanized toaster with such unlike cities of Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead (with an even higher ethnic ratio in their own districts) > Insert East L.A. instead with those cities, **NOT ARCADIA**
- There are **NO "Commonalities of Interest"** either social or economic w/ those cities
- **ARCADIA's City Logo:** "A Quiet Community of Homes" does not share the same interest as the above redistricted cities of industry and noisy barter bazaar atmosphere
- **ARCADIA** is better known for its **Character & Harmony** with **ALL Foothill communities**
- **ARCADIA** shares common links to other San Gabriel Foothill Mountain cities:
  - **Economic Growth and Planned Development**
  - **Gold Line Metro Rail Transportation** with a station stop in Arcadia financed by committed funding from local taxpayers and bond issues
  - **210 Foothill Freeway corridor** with citizen-taxed construction of Metro bridge overhead
  - Schools & school boards are the best in the Northern San Gabriel Valley
  - Televised Ties to local city council meetings and code enforcement
  - **Shared Services** – Medical, Enforcement, Fire protection, Waste Mgmt.
  - **Community Assets:** Foothill Arboretum (large park & golf course) Methodist Hospital / Residential Homes / Superior School System / Educational Public Library / Secure & Quiet Neighborhoods
  - **Organized political precinct** connections and hegemony
  - **Increased multi-cultural & language** base and hegemony
  - **Largest 'community of interest' employers** include Westfield Shopping Mall, Methodist Hospital, & Santa Anita Race Track
  - **Wide diversity of neighborhoods and families** living in a **pristine** milieu
  - **ARCADIA** should be returned to the San Gabriel Foothill Mountain community as a vest interest before consideration of any other cities south of Live Oak Drive (including El Monte)

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- **ARCADIA** is like a **piece of a larger puzzle** with other colored pieces –Yellow – Brown – Black – White
- Don’t cut the tag tips off and try to force it into a juxtaposed map where it does not fit.
- There are **other maps and software** that can redraw the lines with better results of a more equitable political landscape (**see map attachments**).
- Excluding Arcadia from its long established relationship with her Gold Line Foothill Mountain neighbors of Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, Bradbury, etc. is both wrong and questionable.
- **ARCADIA** already has **60% Pacific Asian population**. What criteria did the CRC use for the **diversity ratio**...5% ? Is this in conflict with the CA Supreme Court 2% allowance?
- It appears that some of the map groups may have been **“packing numbers” and/or percentages** into **elaborate charts and graphs**. What’s the accuracy & source of the data? Did the 2010 Census consider non-citizens with temporary visas and non-legal immigrant children parachuted into our tax paid school system? Did the CRC research their facts and verify the numbers?
- **Transparency** in AD49 forcing **ARCADIA** into “COMMUNITIES OF NO SIMILAR NOR EQUAL INTEREST”. **ARCADIA** is a **natural community** with the Foothill cities.
- Was **Demographic vs. Geographic diversity** the deciding factor?
- What is the final deadline for public comment (e-mail / fax) and narrative on the final maps drawn before August 15? Who votes for approval or disapproval?
- The attached redrawn maps show there is a *WIN-WIN* option more viable than the first CRC draft. Please review, redraw, and re-position **ARCADIA** as the missing piece of the San Gabriel Foothill Mountain puzzle.

The objective must not be to create a *VEETO-PROOF Legislature* but rather a Fair and Balanced representation of ALL AMERICANS without personal political preference or prejudice. *E Pluribus Unum* – “Out of Many, One.”

Sincerely,



R. W. Thee

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Arcadia, CA 91007

## List of Communities in Districts

### ASSEMBLY DISTRICT (Pasadena/Arcadia Hub)

Altadena  
Arcadia  
Bradbury  
Duarte  
East San Gabriel  
La Canada  
Monrovia  
Pasadena  
San Marino  
Sierra Madre  
South Pasadena  
Temple City  
Unincorporated Areas within

#### Contiguous/cities not divided

36 White  
27 Hispanic  
    Black  
    Asian

### NESTED SENATE DISTRICT The above two Assembly Districts

### ASSEMBLY DISTRICT (Glendale/Burbank Hub)

Burbank  
Eagle Rock  
Glendale  
Highland Park  
La Crescenta  
Lake View Terrace  
Montrose  
Parts of  
    North Hollywood  
    Sunland  
    Toluca Lake  
Shadow Hills  
Sun Valley  
Tujunga

51 White  
31 Hispanic  
2 Black  
12.5 Asian

### CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Altadena  
Arcadia  
Burbank  
Glendale  
La Canada  
La Crescenta  
Monrovia  
Montrose  
Pasadena  
San Marino  
Sierra Madre  
South Pasadena  
Unincorporated Areas within  
23.14 Hispanic  
48.5 White  
20.0 Asian  
5.2 Black

**Citizens Redistricting Commission**

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June 5, 2011

To the Commission:

Am petitioning the CRC to work with the contiguous "communities of interest" in the Northern Sierra Madre Foothill Mountain 'Gold Line' cities of Arcadia, Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, Bradbury, Glendora, Azusa, La Verne, & Claremont to maintain each metropolitan goal of social, educational, political, economic, geographic, and commonality of equally shared interests.

- ALL the above cities are threaded (both current and future) by the Metro Gold Line extension that will network mutual resources into a bond of shared interests
- These cities depend upon the financial flow of traffic linking utilities of common infrastructures and local government councils with ties to similar services required by each city
- While these communities will continue to grow and expand in populations, commercial, residential, agricultural, and educational institutions become increasingly inter-dependent upon neighboring resources
- These 'communities of interest' are under the same inter-city law enforcement, fire control areas, watershed, electrical development, waste management, medical & hospital support systems, similar living standards, common goals, same media of communication relevant to the election process, & commuter transportation facilities
- There is already a high diversity beyond 5% in these cities complying with the federal Voting Rights Act criteria for equitable legislative representation (e.g., Asian-Americans and other 'minority' groups are reportedly over 60% in Arcadia alone).
- Southern-most cities like El Monte, Alhambra, San Gabriel should **NOT** be included in this redistricting as they do not contribute nor share in the above 'communities of interest'.
- Neighbors on same streets in the same city have been 'gerrymandered' into separate precincts leading to much confusion and misunderstanding of how they're being constituted and balloted

Before the commission draws the legislative lines, please review the attached maps as an illustration for fair and balanced representation of an equitable legislature in California in the Los Angeles County, Northern San Gabriel Valley district. Your consideration is critical to the future prosperity, growth, and equal legislative delegacy of these cities. Please keep the redistricted areas fair and balanced for ALL Americans, and not just favored to other hyphenated 'minority' groups (or the 'new' majority).

Thank you.

Sincerely,



R.W. Thee

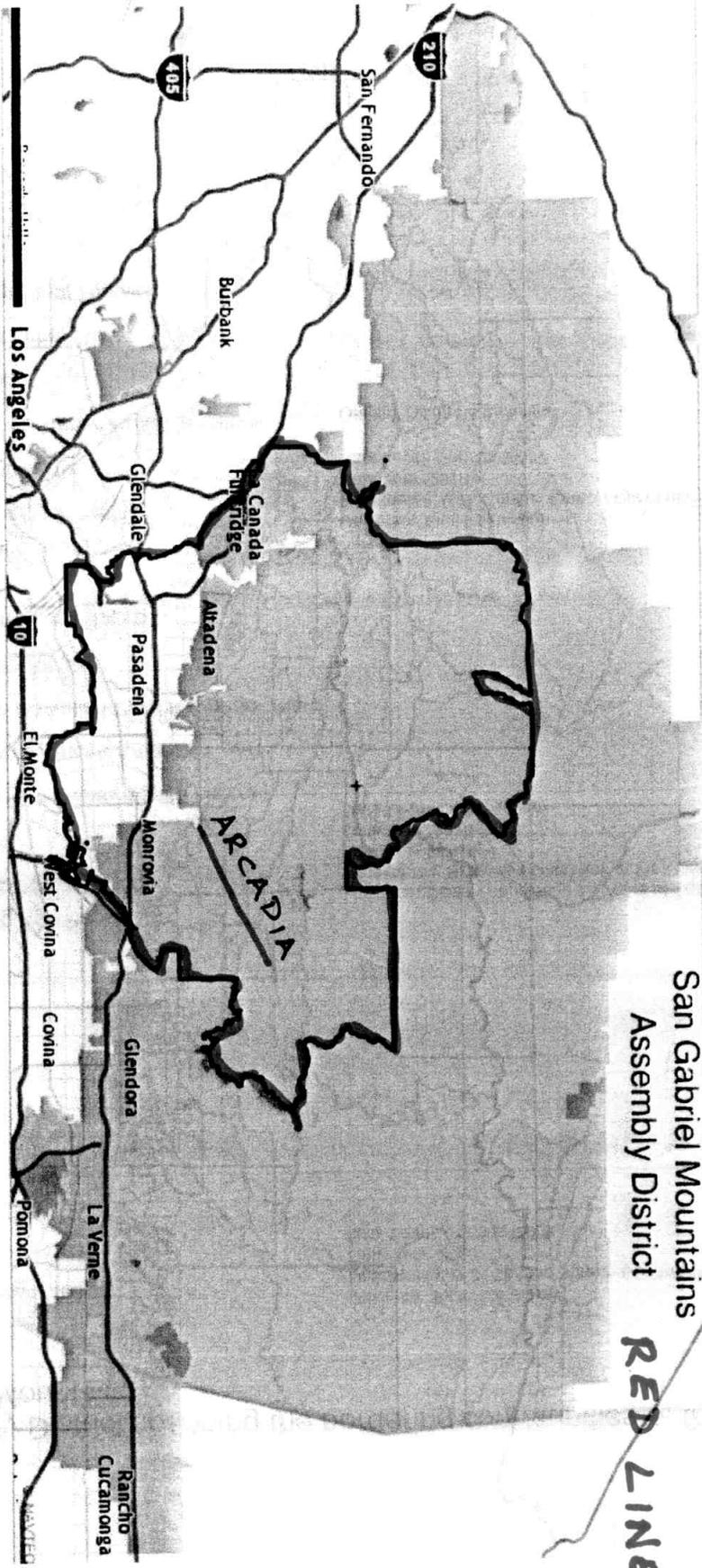
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# ARCADIA

## PROPOSED REVISION

San Gabriel Mountains  
Assembly District **RED LINES**



# Assembly District spanning the bordering communities of the San Gabriel Mountains

## Population

Total Population: 465,804

Universe: Total Population  
 Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census  
 Data Year: 2010  
 Data Level: Census Block

## Citizen Voting Age Population

25.29% Hispanic or Latino  
 8.74% Asian  
 0.67% American Indian/Alaska Native  
 7.00% Black or African American  
 0.18% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Alone  
 57.85% White Alone  
 0.27% Two or More Races

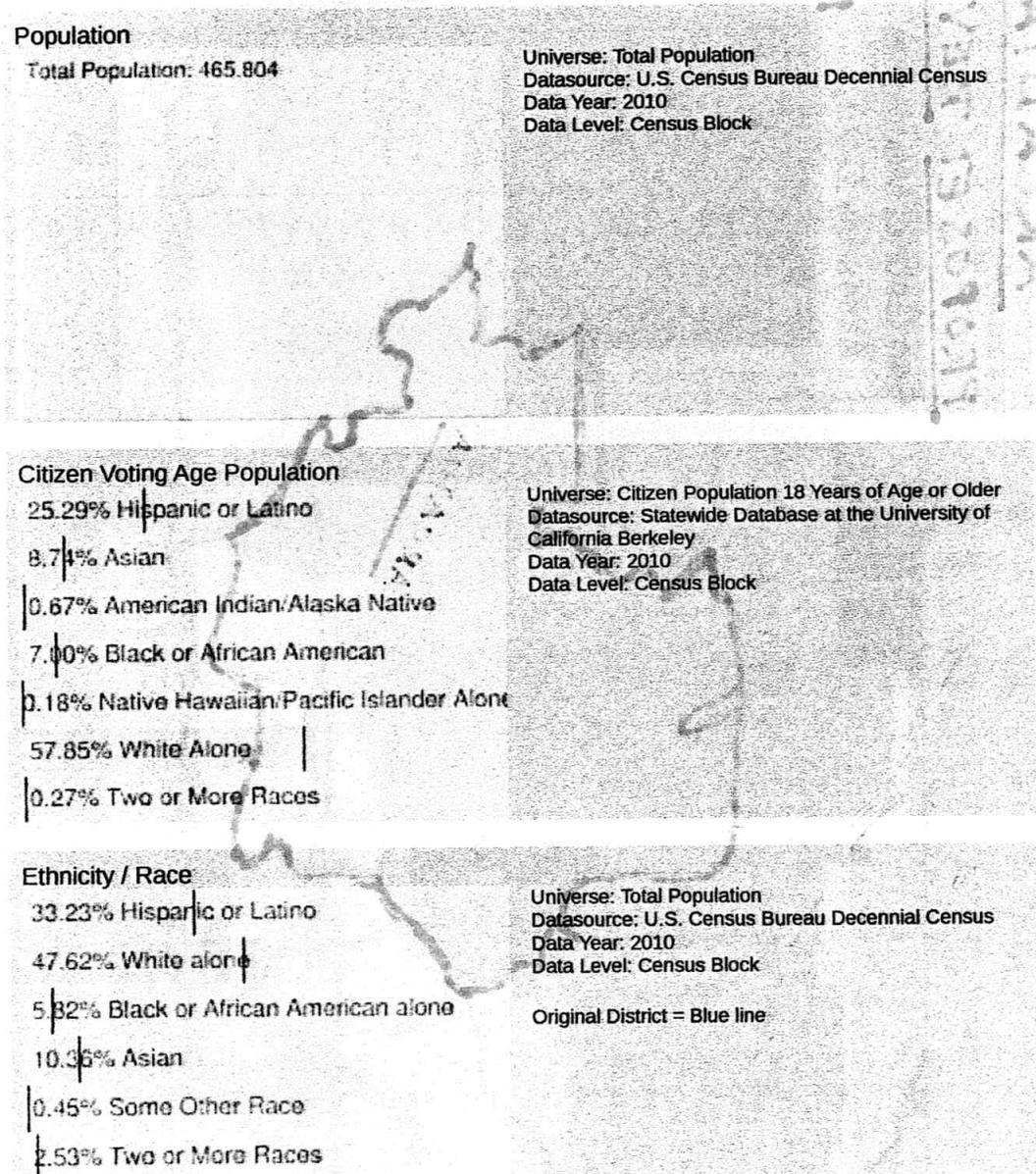
Universe: Citizen Population 18 Years of Age or Older  
 Datasource: Statewide Database at the University of California Berkeley  
 Data Year: 2010  
 Data Level: Census Block

## Ethnicity / Race

33.23% Hispanic or Latino  
 47.62% White alone  
 5.82% Black or African American alone  
 10.36% Asian  
 0.45% Some Other Race  
 2.53% Two or More Races

Universe: Total Population  
 Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census  
 Data Year: 2010  
 Data Level: Census Block

Original District = Blue line



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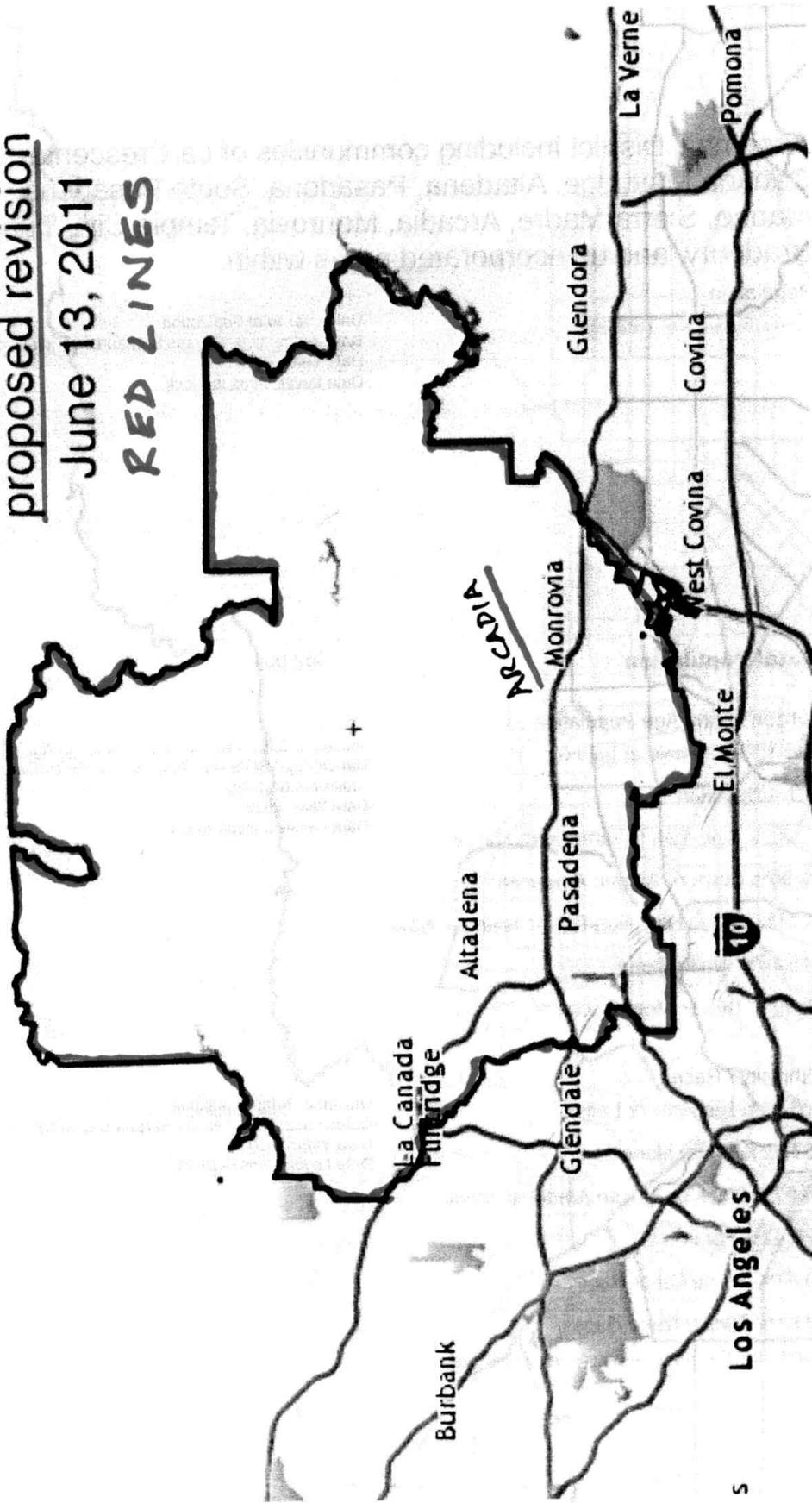
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Assembly District

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Assembly District including communities of La Crescenta, La Canada Flintridge, Altadena, Pasadena, South Pasadena, San Marino, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, Monrovia, Temple City, Duarte, Bradbury, and unincorporated areas within.

**Population**

Total Population: 462,004

Universe: Total Population  
 Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census  
 Data Year: 2010  
 Data Level: Census Block

<b>Total Population</b>	462,004
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**Citizen Voting Age Population**

- 20.32% Hispanic or Latino
- 21.45% Asian
- 0.70% American Indian/Alaska Native
- 8.90% Black or African American
- 0.21% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Alone
- 48.19% White Alone
- 0.22% Two or More Races

Universe: Citizen Population 18 Years of Age or Older  
 Datasource: Statewide Database at the University of California Berkeley  
 Data Year: 2010  
 Data Level: Census Block

**Ethnicity / Race**

- 26.06% Hispanic or Latino
- 37.62% White alone
- 6.67% Black or African American alone
- 26.42% Asian
- 0.41% Some Other Race
- 2.61% Two or More Races

Universe: Total Population  
 Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census  
 Data Year: 2010  
 Data Level: Census Block

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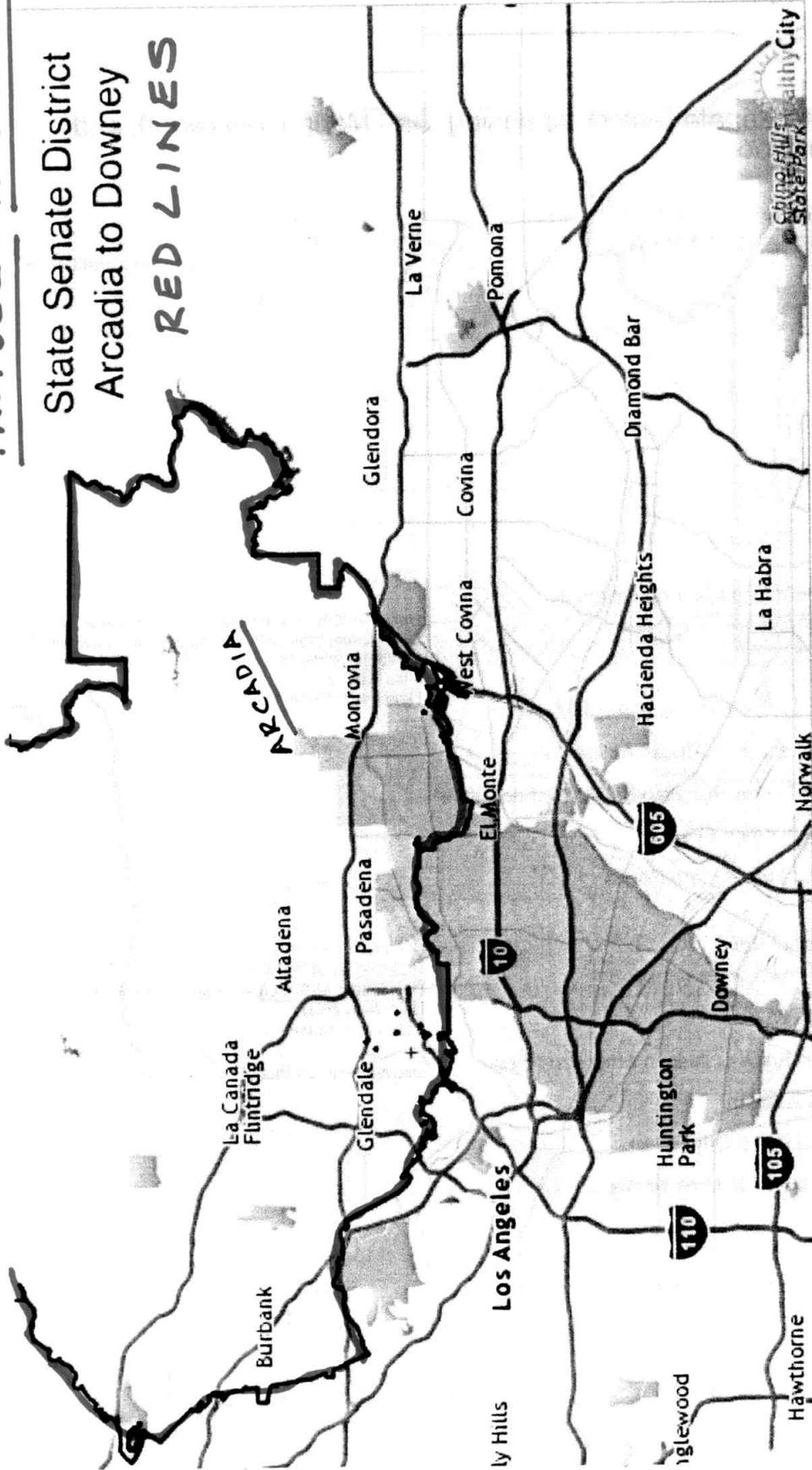
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# ARCADIA

## PROPOSED REVISION

State Senate District  
Arcadia to Downey

RED LINES



# State Senate District spanning San Marino, Maywood, and Lynwood.

## Population

Total Population: 931,094

Universe: Total Population  
Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census  
Data Year: 2010  
Data Level: Census Block

## Citizen Voting Age Population

54.32% Hispanic or Latino

28.97% Asian

0.61% American Indian/Alaska Native

0.91% Black or African American

0.21% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Alone

14.84% White Alone

0.14% Two or More Races

Universe: Citizen Population 18 Years of Age or Older  
Datasource: Statewide Database at the University of California Berkeley  
Data Year: 2010  
Data Level: Census Block

## Ethnicity / Race

66.22% Hispanic or Latino

7.97% White alone

0.61% Black or African American alone

24.61% Asian

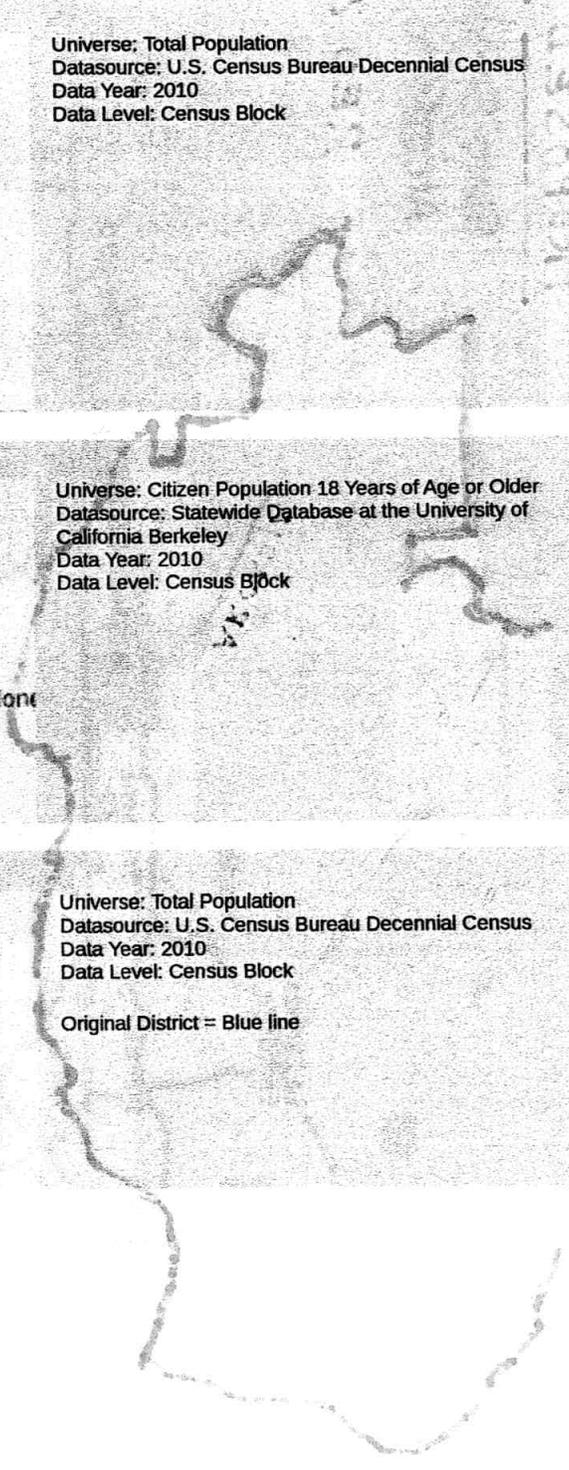
0.26% Some Other Race

0.72% Two or More Races

Universe: Total Population  
Datasource: U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Census  
Data Year: 2010  
Data Level: Census Block

Original District = Blue line

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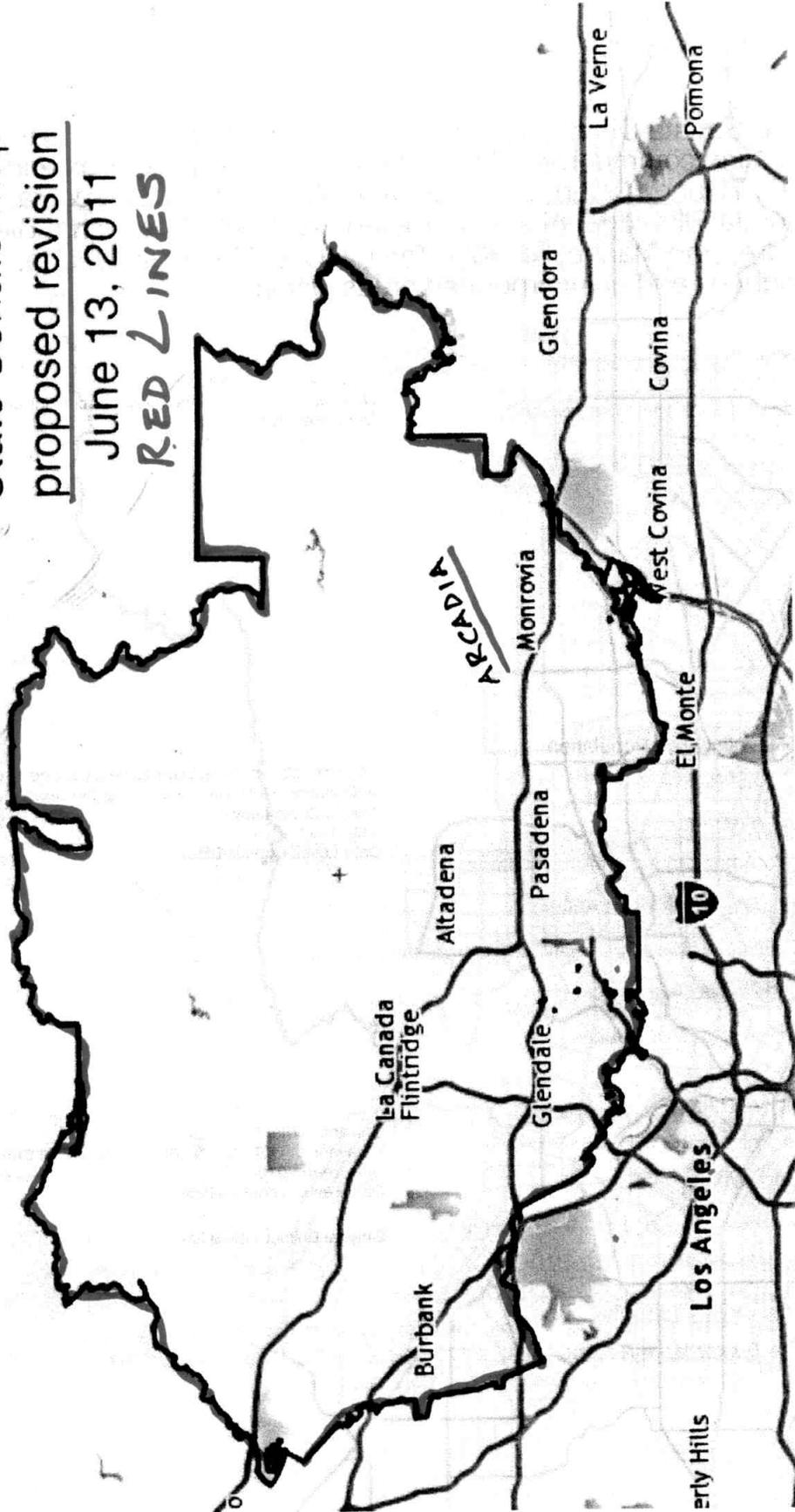
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State Senate Map

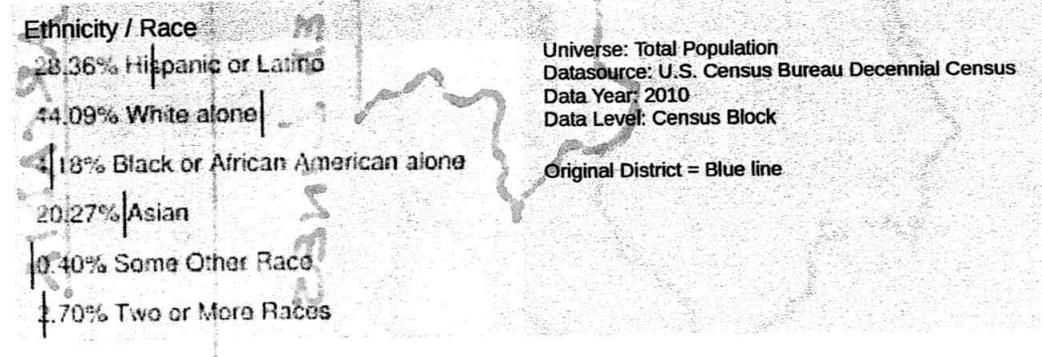
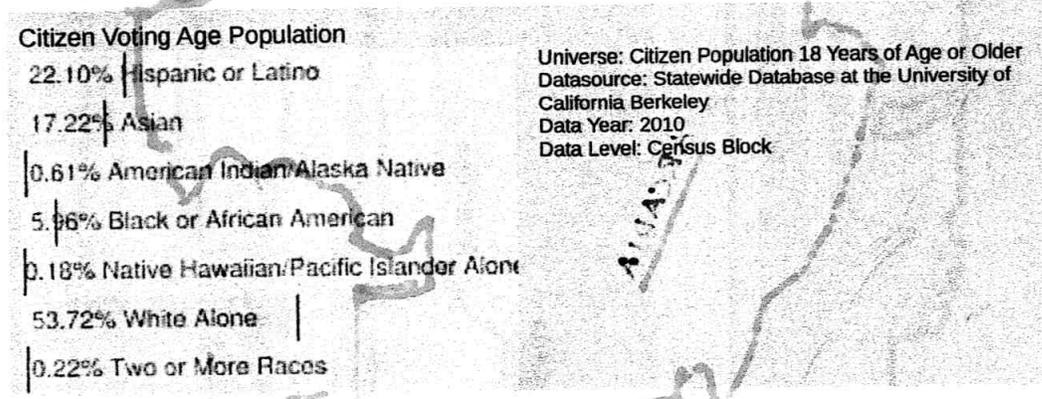
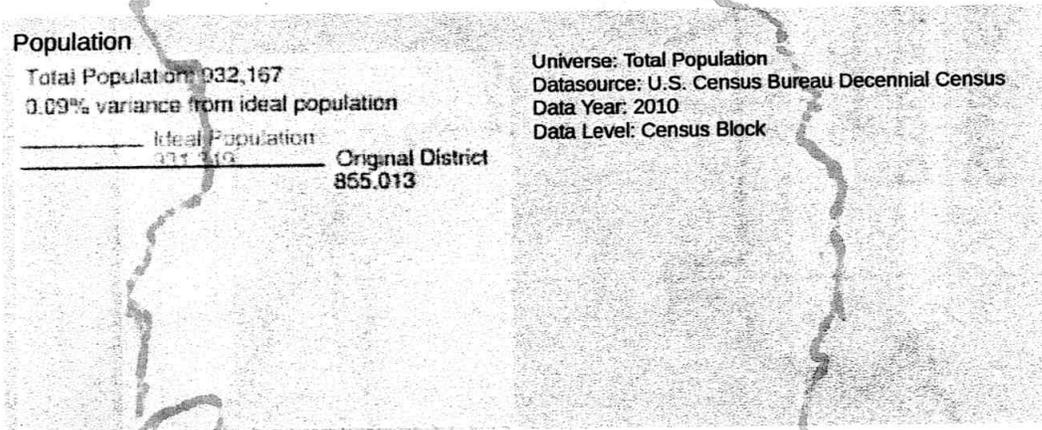
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RED LINES



State Senate District spanning two nested Assembly Districts including communities of Los Angeles (Eagle Rock, Highland Park, Tujunga), Burbank, Glendale, Montrose, La Crescenta, La Canada Flintridge, Altadena, Pasadena, South Pasadena, Sierra Madre, San Marino, Arcadia, Temple City, Monrovia, Duarte, Bradbury, and unincorporated areas within.



Sp. Adv. #16 & 17

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June 17, 2011

Citizen's Redistricting Commission

Re: Proposed Revision of State Senate, State Assembly, & Congressional District

To Whom It May Concern:

I am 59 years old, have grown up in South Pasadena, currently married for 37 years and for all of those 37 married years have resided in Pasadena. My wife and I have raised 7 children in our Pasadena home. So needless to say my wife and I are not newcomers to the area and can speak of our community from experience.

I have included three maps, giving our opinion of how the California Assembly District, the California Senate District, and the Congressional District boundary lines should be drawn up for the greater Pasadena area.

In all three districts, Sierra Madre, Pasadena, Altadena, South Pasadena, La Canada-Flintridge, and Arcadia should be kept intact because they form the nucleus our community of interest.

1. Pasadena Unified School District is comprised of public schools located in Pasadena, Altadena, & Sierra Madre.
2. Pasadena Library System has its' libraries in Pasadena, Altadena, & Sierra Madre.
3. Our sons and daughters who participated in the Pasadena Youth Baseball/Softball leagues played teams and fields located in South Pasadena, Arcadia, Pasadena, Sierra Madre, San Marino & Altadena.
4. The church we belong to, participates in adult & youth events with other faith based organizations in Sierra Madre, Pasadena, Altadena, South Pasadena, La Canada-Flintridge, and Arcadia.
5. When we go shopping we go to Retail Malls & Stores in Glendale, La Canada-Flintridge, Pasadena, Altadena, Sierra Madre, Arcadia, & Monrovia.
6. Pasadena & South Pasadena Police Departments routinely cover for each other to ensure public safety in the Sierra Madre, Altadena, Pasadena, & South Pasadena areas.
7. The Metro Line from Los Angeles to the greater Pasadena area comes right thru the middle of South Pasadena, Pasadena, Arcadia & Monrovia.

For the California State Assembly, Senate, and for the House of Congress to provide proper governness, the respective district boundaries need to be drawn up keeping intact the greater Pasadena Community.

Sincerely,

*Ed Shrader*  
*Judy Shrader*  
 Ed Shrader & Judy Shrader



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