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April 27, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission
1130 "K" Street, Suite 101
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

On behalf of the California League of Conservation Voters Educational Fund and our sister organization, the California League of Conservation Voters (with over 50,000 members and activists), we wish to go on record in urging the CRC to craft state and congressional lines that create a "San Gabriel Mountain foothills 210 corridor environmental community-of-interest" and balance any potential VRA-protected districts that buttress this district.

We believe this is consistent with the initial testimony to the CRC provide by Warner Chabot, CEO of the CLCV on February 26th in which he outlined two major concerns of the League: "to create boundaries and districts that contribute to the quality of life for the communities and people within them". We set forth two criteria that are key to us establishing new districts: 1) upholding the Federal Voting Rights Act and 2) the principle of contiguous areas that reflect 'environmental communities-of-interest'.

In the case of these foothill communities in the San Gabriel Valley, we believe the communities of interest have a high propensity in protecting the air and water quality in the region's airshed and watersheds. For example, the SGV Water Quality Authority states that the MCL= Maximum Contaminant Level in some of these communities exceeds 1000x the MCL. The South Coast Air Quality Management District cites high rates of ozone levels exceeding state and federal standards, and also adds transportation congestion as well.

The public health of these communities is linked by their unique geography and demographics. They share as well a common environmental and economic base. In essence there are really two distinct environmental communities-of-interest: First, San Gabriel Valley communities in the flats (bonded by common concerns mentioned above and a high ratio of superfund sites). Second, the foothill communities from Claremont to La Canada that lie within LA County, for example within one congressional district (bonded by those common concerns mentioned above and others like fire protection/safety; access to the mountains and Angeles Crest ; and mass transit like the Metro Gold line Phase 2, that hugs the 210).

In summary, the Commission should create and pay heed to the environmental factors that define these communities-of-interest. These communities would be best served by common political representation.

Sincerely,

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The following is a message from Mayor Bill Bogaard. You may respond to him directly at [REDACTED] with a cc to me.

Colleagues:

My written submission to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission has just been completed and that could not have been accomplished without your help. A copy of the submission is attached. Thank you very much for your help, and please let me know if you have any comments or suggestions.

The Commission's hearing begins this evening at 6:00 p.m. at the San Gabriel Mission Playhouse.

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A PLAN FOR THE REDISTRICTING OF
STATE ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS 49 AND 60,
STATE SENATE DISTRICT 29, AND
U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 32

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PRESENTED ON BEHALF OF THE
CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE,
GREATER SAN GABRIEL LODGE

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Overview

Historically, the Asian American community has suffered premeditated discrimination, marginalization, fragmentation, and dilution in electoral districting. Asian Americans have therefore been disenfranchised from equal representation much like other minorities such as Hispanics and African Americans.

The Chinese American Citizens Alliance established in 1895 has been a civil rights organization for 116 years and counting. Among its accomplishments is the repeal of the Chinese Exclusion Act. Currently, the Chinese American Citizens Alliance with eighteen Lodges from California to Washington D.C. continues its vigilance in promoting and protecting the rights of Chinese Americans in particular and minorities in general. As the author of this proposal, I, John Wong am a national grand vice president; past president and co-founder of the Greater San Gabriel Valley Chapter.

The Greater San Gabriel Valley Chinese American Citizens Alliance is presenting a redistricting proposal for the 49th and 60th State Assembly Districts, 29 State Senate District, and the 32nd U.S. Congressional Districts to give Asian Americans a voice in their governance.

This proposed redistricting plan for State Assembly Districts 49 and 60, State Senate District 29, and United States Congressional District 32 meets all of the United States' Constitution and United States' Supreme Court mandated goals for Community of Interest districts:

1. Equality of population
2. Contiguity and compactness of districts
3. Respect for county and city boundaries
4. Preservation of the integrity of geographic regions
5. Consideration of the "community of interests" in each area.

This proposed redistricting plan complies with additional criteria established by the California Citizens Redistricting Commission:

1. Compliance with the Federal Voting Rights Act which prohibits discriminatory voting practices or procedures
2. Nesting of districts within each other where possible

Currently, State Assembly Districts 49 and 60, State Senate District 29, and U.S. Congressional District 32 do not meet all of the Supreme Court mandated goals for political districts and are volatile of the criteria set by the California Citizens Redistricting commission.

One telling point is that current district maps include split cities and/or regions. Some maps leave out cities altogether.

This proposed plan to redistrict State Assembly Districts 49 and 60, State Senate District 29, and U.S. Congressional District 32 will conform to each of their respective ideal district values with 0% deviation; cities within the district are contiguous, configuration is compact and unfragmented; county and city boundaries are respected; integrity of geographic regions are maintained to the extent possible; and community of interest is not diluted.

This submittal conforms to all data requirements of California Citizens Redistricting Commission.

The 49th State Assembly District

The current 49th Assembly District spits communities of interests, mixes geographic regions, and is not logical as an electoral district and it violates the contiguity and compactness goal.

The proposed 49th Assembly District will include the cities of South Pasadena, Alhambra, Monterey Park, San Gabriel, San Marino, Arcadia, , Rosemead, Temple City, South El Monte, and contiguous county area (see map). No cities are split. County geographic areas included are East San Gabriel, North El Monte, and West portion of Hacienda Heights. Distinct geographic communities are maintained to the extent possible to conform to the ideal population value. Community of interest integrity is maintained. The proposed District is 72.952255 square miles and conforms to the ideal district target population value.

Total Population is 465,656 and is within 18 of the ideal value of 465,674, a 0% deviation statistically. The breakdown of population is:

Total Population	465,656	
Hispanic Origin	145,474	31.24%
Not Hispanic	320,172	68.76%

Not Hispanic Population Breakdown

Not Hispanic White	70,430	15.12%
Not Hispanic Black	4,316	0.93%
Not Hispanic Asian	237,250	50.95%
Other	8,176	1.76%

Voting Population Age 18 years Plus

Voting Population	366,172	78.6% (of Total Population)
Hispanic	104,721	28.60% (of Voting Population)
Not Hispanic	261,451	71.40%

Not Hispanic White	60,697	16.58%
Not Hispanic Black	3,503	0.96%
Not Hispanic Asian	192,489	52.57%
Other Not Specified	4,762	1.30%

Voting population distribution is in line with general population. Detailed census tract information is attached.

The 60th State Assembly District

The current 60th Assembly District mixes geographic regional areas and communities of interests; it does not maintain county or city boundaries; and it violates contiguity and compactness. For example East Los Angeles is split as a regional area and is not consistent in terms of community interests with the South San Gabriel Valley.

The proposed 60th Assembly District will include cities of El Monte, Industry, Walnut, Diamond Bar, Chino Hills, and contiguous County area (see map). No cities are split. County areas included are Avocado Heights, Rose Hills, Valinda, East South San Jose Hills, East portion of Hacienda Heights, and Rowland Heights,

Community of interest integrity is maintained. Chino Hills is in San Bernardino County, but the aspects of contiguity and compactness, population balancing, and community of interest makes it a logical inclusion. The proposed district is 122.924355 square miles. The proposed district conforms to the ideal district value.

Voting population distribution is in line with general population. Detail census tract information is attached.

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Total Population is 465,629 and is within 45 of the ideal value of 465,674, a 0% deviation statistically. The breakdown of population is:

Total Population	465,629	
Hispanic Origin	240,786	51.71%
Not Hispanic	224,843	48.29%

Not Hispanic Population Breakdown

Not Hispanic White	59,984	12.88%
Not Hispanic Black	9,190	1.97%
Not Hispanic Asian	147,781	31.71%
Other	7,888	1.76%

Voting Population Age 18 years Plus

Voting Population	345,200	74.14 (of Total Population)
Hispanic	164,401	47.62% (of Voting Population)
Not Hispanic	180,799	52.38%
Not Hispanic White	49,943	14.47%
Not Hispanic Black	7,268	2.11%
Not Hispanic Asian	118,700	34.39%
Other Not Specified	4,888	1.42%

The 29th State Senate District

The current 29th State Senate District splits the Cities of Industry and Rowland heights, and divides geographic communities of Citrus, East Los Angeles, and Hacienda Heights. The configuration is irregular, not compact nor contiguous. Community of interest is fragmented, and interrupts continuity of geographic regions.

The proposed 29th State Senate Districts combines State Assembly Districts 49 and 60 and meets the Supreme Court mandated goals as standalone districts. As such, this is a logical, compatible, consistent, and contiguous Senate District. Population conforms to the ideal district value.

Total Population is 931,285 and is within 63 of the ideal value of 931,348, a 0% deviation statistically. The breakdown of population is:

Total Population	931,285	
Hispanic Origin	386,260	41.48%
Not Hispanic	545,025	58.52%

Not Hispanic Population Breakdown

Not Hispanic White	130,414	14.00%
Not Hispanic Black	13,506	1.45%
Not Hispanic Asian	385,031	41.34%
Other	16,074	1.73%

Voting Population Age 18 years Plus

Voting Population	711,372	76.39% (of Total Population)
Hispanic	269,122	37.83% (of Voting Population)
Not Hispanic	442,250	62.17%

Not Hispanic White	110,640	16.55%
Not Hispanic Black	10,771	1.51%
Not Hispanic Asian	311,189	43.74%
Other Not Specified	9,650	1.36%

Voting population distribution is in line with general population. Detail census tract information is attached.

The 32nd U.S. Congressional District

The existing 32nd is irregular, fragments community of interest, and splits a the city of Monterey Park,

The proposed congressional district is primarily a reduction of the 60th State Senate. No cities are split. Contiguous County geography communities are maintained as population tailoring allows. The proposed 32nd Congressional District is compact and contiguous. It respects county and city boundaries. It conforms to the ideal district value.

The proposed 32nd U.S. Congressional district will include cities and geographic communities of South Pasadena, San Marino, East San Gabriel, San Gabriel, Arcadia, Alhambra, Monterey Park, Rosemead, Temple City, South El Monte, Industry, Walnut, Diamond Bar, and contiguous County areas (see map). Contiguous County areas include Avocado Heights, Rose Hills, West Puente Valley, Hacienda Heights, South San Jose Hills, and Rowland Heights. No cities are split; contiguous County areas are maintained to the extent population tailoring will allow. The total area is 137.72998 square miles

Total Population is 702,925 and is 20 within of the ideal value of 702,905, a 0% deviation statistically. The breakdown of population is:

Total Population	702,925	
Hispanic Origin	253,731	36.10%
Not Hispanic	449,194	63.90%

Not Hispanic Population Breakdown

Not Hispanic White	97,444	13.86%
Not Hispanic Black	9,178	1.31%
Not Hispanic Asian	330,174	46.97%
Other		

Voting Population Age 18 years Plus

Voting Population	547,179	77.84% (of Total Population)
Hispanic	180,437	32.98% (of Voting Population)
Not Hispanic	366,742	67.02%

Not Hispanic White	84,227	15.39%
Not Hispanic Black	7,458	1.36%
Not Hispanic Asian	267,534	48.89%
Other Not Specified	7,523	1.37%

Voting population distribution is in line with general population. Detail census tract information is attached.

Communities Of Interest

The ethnic population data denotes significant Asian residential communities in each of the proposed districts. The cities and areas in the proposed 32nd Congressional District are in the San Gabriel Valley area. These residents share common and similar dietary needs, social and cultural events, retail needs, communication channels, language and educational needs, economic and investment interests and employment opportunities.

All of the cities in the proposed 49th Assembly District and many areas and cities in the 60th Assembly District have establishments that are owned by Asians and that specialize in serving the Asian immigrant population. These include, but are not limited to, local or regional shopping centers, markets, herbal medicine stores, banks, hospitals, medical offices, real estate offices, hotels and motels, language schools, nurseries and pre-schools, culture centers, restaurants, therapy centers, dance studios, media offices, professional clubs and non-profit organizations, furniture stores, salons, household appliance stores, churches, theaters, travel agencies, citizenship classes video and music stores, social welfare offices, book stores, clothing stores, Asian dance and musical instrument classes, and employment agencies. Most of these establishments hire some employees who speak Chinese, and sometimes, only Chinese. Many other non-Chinese Asian groups have the same common interests.

Conclusion

The time is now; the opportunity is here to correct the historic injustice of premeditative diluting, fragmenting, discriminating against, and marginalizing Asian American communities of interest.

This proposal for redistricting of State Assembly Districts 49 and 60, State Senate District 29, and U.S. Congressional District 32 would achieve the Supreme Court mandated goals as well as those specified by this Commission. The 49th and 60th Assembly Districts stand alone in satisfying equality of population, contiguity and compactness of districts, respect of county and city boundaries, preservation of the integrity of geographic region, and consideration of the "community of interests" of the areas. State Senate District 29 achieves the mandated goals as it is a merger of the 49th and 60th Assembly Districts.

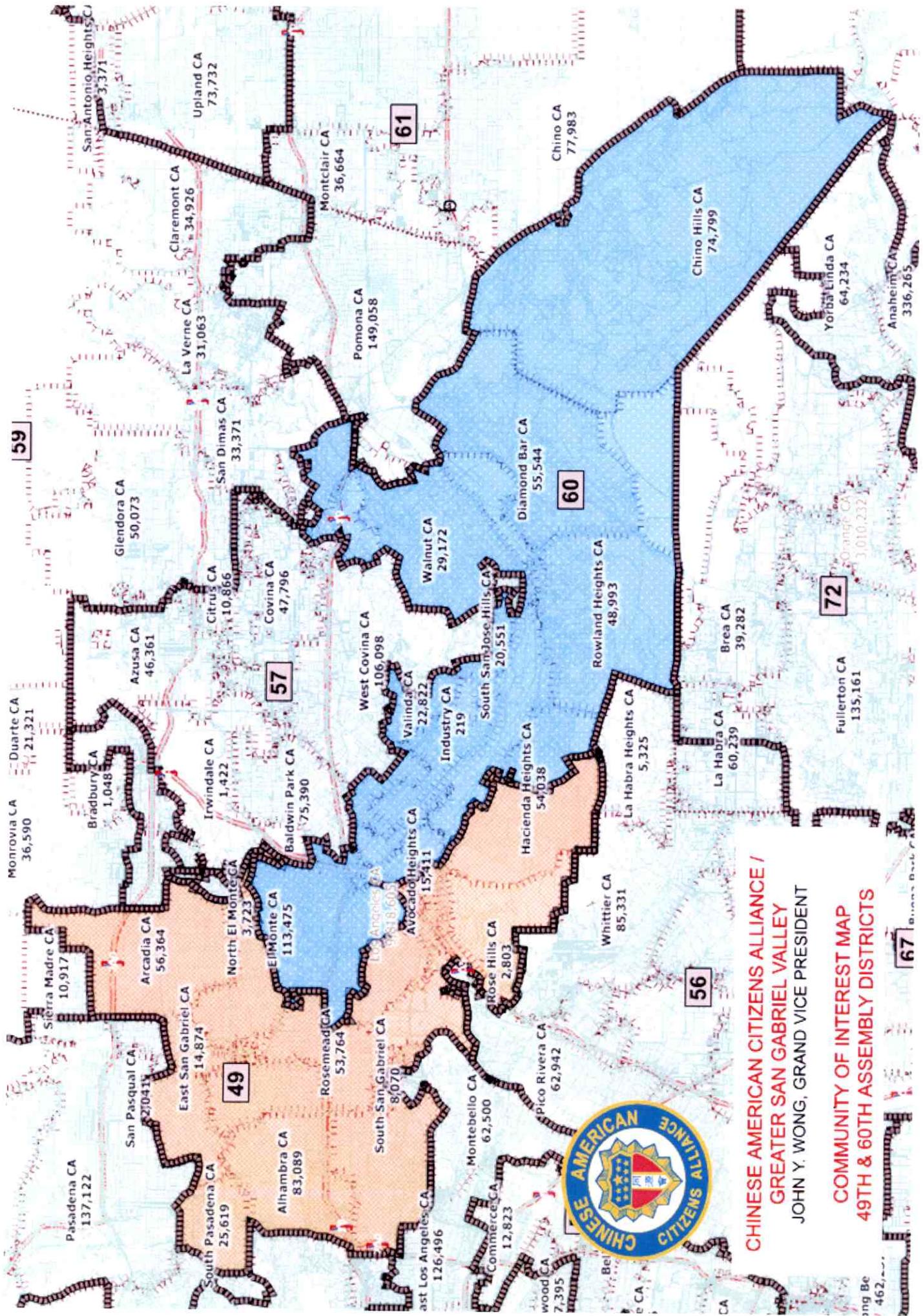
The proposed U.S. Congressional District 32 is based on the 49th and 60th Assembly Districts with the deletion of Chino Hills, El Monte and other tangential areas. Therefore, this proposed district also meets the mandated goals specified by the Supreme Court.

The proposed districts have been tailored to keep community interest factors common as well as reflect demographic changes of the 2010 census.



CHINESE AMERICAN CITIZENS ALLIANCE REDISTRICTING PLANS STATS

FIELDS	VALUES	VALUES	VALUES	VALUES
ID	49	60	29	32
Area	72.952255	122.924355	195.876709	137.72998
District	AD-49	AD-58	Sen-24	CD-32
Population	465656	465629	931285	702925
Hispanic Origin	145474	240786	386260	253731
Not Hispanic	320182	224843	545025	449194
NH_Wht	70430	59984	130414	97444
NH_Bk	4316	9190	13506	9178
NH_Asn	237250	147781	385031	330174
18+_Pop	366172	345200	711372	547179
H18+_Pop	104721	164401	269122	180437
NH18+_Pop	261451	180799	442250	366742
H18+_Wht	60697	49943	110640	84227
H18+_Bk	3503	7268	10771	7458
H18+_Asn	192489	118700	311189	267534
Ideal Value	465674	465674	931348	702905
Deviation	18	-45	-63	20
% Deviation	0%	0%	0%	0%
%Hispanic Origin	31.24%	51.71%	41.48%	36.10%
%Not Hispanic	68.76%	48.29%	58.52%	63.90%
%NH_Wht	15.12%	12.88%	14.00%	13.86%
%NH_Bk	0.93%	1.97%	1.45%	1.31%
%NH_Asn	50.95%	31.74%	41.34%	46.97%
%18+_Pop	78.64%	74.14%	76.39%	77.84%
%H18+_Pop	28.60%	47.62%	37.83%	32.98%
%NH18+_Pop	71.40%	52.38%	67.17%	67.02%
%NH18+_Wht	16.58%	14.47%	16.55%	15.39%
%NH18+_Bk	0.96%	2.11%	1.51%	1.36%
%NH18+_Asn	52.57%	34.39%	43.80%	48.89%



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**COMMUNITY OF INTEREST MAP
49TH & 60TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICTS**

