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Shawn Dewane
Newport Beach, CA 92663

June 11, 2011

Citizens Redistricting Commission
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Sacramento, CA 95814

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Dear Commissioners:

As a non partisan, elected official for Mesa Water District and Orange County Water District, I submitted testimony at your hearing in Santa Ana, May 6, 2011.

Your staff suggested that it would be a good idea for me to send my specific redistricting suggestions directly to you. Enclosed is a copy of what I suggest would be a fair redistricting of California's Congressional districts. I can provide a block assignment file for the commission to work with.

I believe that this map closely mirrors the guidelines established by the voters. Your consideration is most appreciated and I believe would further the purpose of a fair electoral process in California.

Also attached is a copy of my testimony from the hearing.

I respectfully request that you consider this redistricting proposal with all seriousness that matter deserves. While not perfect, I believe it satisfies the mission and purpose of the commission by respecting all applicable law, guidelines and boundaries for the purpose of redrawing congressional districts.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. Please contact me directly if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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Mesa Water District / Orange County Water District

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Transcript of Testimony from Speaker 68
Shawn Dewane:

My name is Shawn Dewane and I am a non-partisan elected official from Costa Mesa. I represent the Mesa Water District and Orange County Water District. I submit our city's community of interest is primarily shared with Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Westminster, and western Newport Beach. Those of us from this area want to make sure that both state legislative and congressional maps keep these communities together. I respectfully submit for the consideration of the commission a congressional district plan which does so.

My plan respects county boundaries. It includes 4 full congressional districts that lie entirely in Los Angeles County. 3 districts in Riverside County and 4 in San Diego County. It also keeps several major cities that can fit within a single congressional district intact, including Santa Ana, Huntington Beach and Irvine in Orange County, as well as Long Beach, Sacramento and Fresno.

My plan reflects the increased Hispanic population of the state, creating 2 new Hispanic districts in Los Angeles County. The districts are composed of whole census tracts, following the example of the congressional district plan put in place by the California Supreme Court in the 1990's and the plan still holds the maximum population deviation below 1%. If the commission is interested, I can provide the commission consultants with a "block assignment file," which would permit them to use this plan as a starting point for one alternative to be presented for consideration.

Thank You



Shawn Dewane - Director
Mesa Water District / Orange County Water District

Region #3: Orange County Region



Sukhee Kang, Mayor

City of Irvine, One Civic Center Plaza, Irvine, California 92623 9575

May 18, 2011

The Honorable Bill Campbell, Chairman
Orange County Supervisor, Third District
County of Orange

Santa Ana, CA 92701

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RE: 2011 County of Orange Redistricting Process

Dear Supervisor Campbell:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit input regarding Orange County's 2011 redistricting process. I appreciate being a part of this process and look forward to continuing a relationship with the County of Orange on mutually beneficial endeavors. I respectfully recommend inclusion of the following positions in the 2011 County of Orange Redistricting process: (1) no changes to Irvine's supervisorial district boundaries, and (2) that the City of Irvine remain whole within a supervisorial district.

As you know, the City of Irvine's incorporated boundaries lie within Orange County's Third Supervisorial District currently occupied by Supervisor Bill Campbell. Irvine was founded on the principal of a planned community. This has been possible for a variety of reasons, including the partnership and representation of a single county supervisor. Local government matters can be delicate and they become even more so if having to work within two different supervisorial districts. County Supervisors, like City Councilmembers, often have different perspectives and opinions. I believe in having one voice and one vote for Irvine at the county level.

The California Election Code states that in establishing redistricting boundaries of supervisorial districts, consideration may be given to "topography, geography, cohesiveness, contiguity, integrity, and compactness of territory, and community of interests of the districts." The consideration of geography is an important reason for Irvine to remain in one supervisorial district. I believe supervisorial districts should be kept compact and respect city boundaries. Studies show that neighborhoods, or even portions of neighborhoods, that are carved out of their

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natural communities to fulfill some other redistricting priority do not fare well in representation.

It is imperative for Irvine to remain whole within an Orange County Supervisorial District boundary for continuity, cohesiveness and integrity. While most Orange County cities are built-out and dealing with other matters and challenges, Irvine has expanded its population by 55,000 over the past five years and continues to grow. As Irvine moves toward build-out, divided supervisorial districts could hamper the City's ability to effectively master plan the community in a manner Irvine is known and lauded for. The Irvine community shares common histories and inter-city relationships, a diverse ethnic population, and economic interests.

Thank you for allowing me to participate in the 2011 redistricting process. I respectfully request cities and communities remain together. Please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Sukhee Kang
Mayor

cc: Irvine City Council
California Citizens Redistricting Commission
County of Orange Board of Supervisors
County of Orange Redistricting Committee
Sean Joyce, City Manager



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DATE: May 18, 2011

TO: Citizens Redistricting Commission

PLEASE PROVIDE COPY OF THE ATTACHED LETTER
TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION

FAX NO: [REDACTED]

FROM: Mayor Sukhee Kang
CITY OF IRVINE

TELEPHONE: [REDACTED]

FAX NO: [REDACTED]

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If you do not receive all the pages indicated, please contact my assistant,
Elizabeth Kojian, at [REDACTED] Thank you.