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RESOLUTION NO. 5460

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO CALIFORNIA REDISTRICTING EFFORTS TO PLACE LA HABRA IN A SENATORIAL DISTRICT COMPOSED OF CITIES THAT ARE NOT A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST

WHEREAS, after each federal census, California is required to redraw the boundaries of its Congressional, State Senate, State Assembly and State Board of Equalization districts, to accurately reflect population data; and

WHEREAS, California voters approved Proposition 11 in November 2008, which created the Citizens Redistricting Commission to carry out these required redistricting duties; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has begun its work to redraw the boundaries, which includes holding public meetings and soliciting comments and feedback from the public and interested parties, for the purpose of approving new district maps by August 15, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has considered and approved various principles for drawing preliminary maps, including the principle that preliminary maps will be drawn along city and county lines and include communities of interest; and

WHEREAS, at the May 5, 2011, Commission meeting, the Commission directed its staff to place the City of La Habra, a city located in Orange County, in a California Senate seat with the Cities of La Habra Heights, Norwalk, Downey, Santa Fe Springs, Whittier and Pico Rivera, all cities located in Los Angeles County; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Habra would be the only Orange County city in this proposed district of otherwise Los Angeles County cities, it is not, therefore, located in a district of communities of interest; and

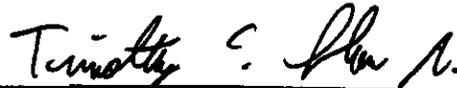
WHEREAS, the City of La Habra, being an Orange County city that is closely aligned in character, history, demographics, and community identity with other cities in northern Orange County, and has needs, relationships and collaborations with entities within northern Orange County, including the North Orange County Community College District, the Fullerton Joint Unified High School District, the North Orange County City partnership, the North Orange County Economic Development partnership, California State University, Fullerton, and the County of Orange; and it relies of technical and funding resources for infrastructure and water issues from Orange County-based agencies such as the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Municipal Water District of Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Habra, other than sharing a border with two of the proposed district cities (La Habra Heights and Whittier) has little or no relationship or commonality with the other cities in the proposed Senatorial district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA DOES HEREBY oppose the placement of La Habra as a sole Orange County city within a California Senatorial District that is comprised of all Los Angeles County cities, or within any proposed District that cannot reasonably be considered being comprised of communities of interest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA HABRA directs staff to send a letter of opposition regarding the creation of the proposed District as introduced at the May 5, 2011, Citizens Redistricting Commission meeting, along with a copy of this resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 16th day of May, 2011.



Timothy Shaw, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



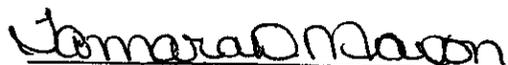
Tamara D. Mason, City Clerk, MMC

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
CITY OF LA HABRA) ss
COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, Tamara D. Mason, City Clerk for the City of La Habra, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 5460 introduced and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of La Habra held on the 16th day of May, 2011, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: BEAMISH, ESPINOZA, BLAZEY, SHAW
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: GOMEZ
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

Witness my hand and the official seal of the City of La Habra this 16th day of May, 2011.



Tamara D. Mason, City Clerk, MMC

Region #3: Orange



Sukhee Kang, Mayor

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

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

Santa Ana, CA 92701

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 949-724-6233 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

Region 3: Orange

The People are the City



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— Placentia, California 92870

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Citizens Redistricting Commission
1130 K Street, Suite 101
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to express my strong desire to maintain the binding of communities situated along the 57 corridor, from the 91 interchange to the south to the 210 interchange in the north, in a shared State Senate district. I recognize that the Citizens Redistricting Commission ("Commission") is trying to avoid creating districts that cross county lines, but in many instances communities of interest transcend county boundaries due to the multitude of issues these communities are engaged in.

As you know, Senate District 29 is currently comprised of portions of Los Angeles County, Orange County and San Bernardino County. The 29th District includes the cities of Arcadia, Bradbury, Brea, Chino, Chino Hills, Claremont, Diamond Bar, Glendora, La Habra, La Habra Heights, La Verne, Monrovia, Placentia, San Dimas, Sierra Madre, Walnut and Yorba Linda.

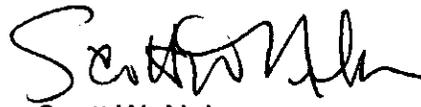
Cities in North Orange County have similar working class incomes and similar housing needs to the cities in East San Gabriel Valley and even portions of western San Bernardino County like the City of Chino Hills. Our residents likely commute to their jobs using State Route 57 and many of them have our children that attend California State University Fullerton. In addition, the communities of Brea, Fullerton, Placentia and Yorba Linda are deeply connected through the collaboration of public services. For example, the cities of Brea, Fullerton and Placentia have established a joint powers authority to fund and maintain a park that benefits the three communities. The cities of Brea and Fullerton are currently sharing a Fire Chief and other command staff in their fire departments. The cities of Anaheim, Brea, Chino Hills, Diamond Bar, Pomona and several others have formed a transportation coalition to address traffic circulation and transportation issues affecting the cities along the 57 corridor. The cities of Yorba Linda and Brea share undeveloped land deemed a "wildlife corridor", which is partly comprised of Chino Hills State Park and a continuing swath of undeveloped rolling hills that bridges the three counties of Orange, San Bernardino, and Los Angeles, and are working together to protect this land for future generations. Our shared interest in addressing transportation issues affecting our region, preserving the ecology and beauty of our open spaces, and public service collaboration are but a few of the many elements that binds us together.

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While it is unlikely that the current senate district will remain completely intact due to changes in population since the 2000 Census, I believe that the Commission should strive to keep communities of similar demographics and with issues of mutual interest as part of the same district. Any redistricting effort that divides these communities will dilute our voice in the legislature and compromise our ability to address the issues that matter most to our constituents.

I appreciate the opportunity to voice my concerns on redistricting. Our strength as an interactive and collaborative community of interest rests on our ability to have a shared legislative voice. Please respect the integrity of our communities and our quality of life by keeping those communities situated along the 57 corridor in a shared Senate district.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Nelson", written in a cursive style.

Scott W. Nelson
Mayor

cc: Senator Huff

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Orange**

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Councilmember

Citizens Redistricting Commission
901 P Street, Ste. 154-A
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commission Members:

On May 16, 2011, the City Council of the City of La Habra passed a resolution opposing plans to place La Habra as the only Orange County city in a Senate district comprised of Los Angeles County cities. A copy of that resolution is attached for the record.

The residents and leaders of La Habra contend that our city is closely aligned in character, history, demographics and community identity with other cities in northern Orange County. It has relationships and collaborations with other entities in northern Orange County such as the North Orange County Community College District, the Fullerton Joint Unified High School District, the North Orange County City Partnership, the North Orange County Economic Development partnership, California State University Fullerton and the County of Orange. Furthermore, we rely on technical and funding resources for infrastructure and water issues from the Orange County Transportation Authority and the Municipal Water District of Orange County. By contrast, La Habra does not share these aspects or relationships with the cities of the proposed Senate district.

We urge you to carefully consider the placement of La Habra as the only Orange County city in a district comprised of Los Angeles County cities, as this violates one of the Commission's principles of keeping city and county boundaries intact. Should you have questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,

James Gomez
Mayor

