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California Citizens Redistricting Commission
901 P Street, Suite 154-A
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear California Citizens Redistricting Commission:

We write to provide input on your June 8th draft of new Assembly and Senate legislative boundary lines.

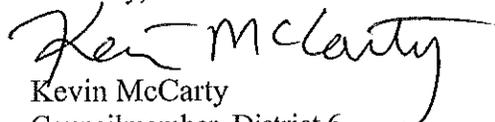
We appreciate and support the efforts of the California Citizens Redistrict Commission (CCRC) to draw sensible, balanced and impartial legislative boundary lines; however, we believe the Commission missed the mark with regards to the eastern portion of the City of Sacramento.

Specifically, we have serious concerns about the separation of nearly 40,000 residents from the eastern portion of the City of Sacramento in the draft Assembly and Senate legislative maps. Residents and businesses in East Sacramento, Tahoe Park, Elmhurst, College Glen, Colonial Manor, Campus Commons, Sierra Oaks, and Power Inn area would be divided from adjacent neighborhoods with historical ties and similar interests and issues. Splitting these neighboring communities and separating school boundaries, business activity, economic development, higher education opportunities, hospital synergy and general neighborhood connectivity seems completely contrary to the goals of the CCRC to link communities of interest.

As local elected officials with more than 25 years of combined service on the City Council, we understand the importance of crafting sound public policy and balancing community input. Again, we appreciate your work and hope you can re-evaluate this part of the draft map to find a workable solution.

Thank you in advance for your serious consideration of our request. Please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss this further.

Sincerely,


Kevin McCarty
Councilmember, District 6


Steve Cohn
Councilmember, District 3