

**Subject:** "KEEP SOUTH BAY TOGETHER from Westchester to Palos Verdes with straight lines."

**From:** Michael Malgeri [REDACTED]

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:15 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

"Thank you for hearing us -- please keep our South Bay Community of Interest whole for Congress -- please put everything south of the 105 and west of the 110 -- Option 1.2 -- in the same district. Our South Bay community deserves to be represented by someone we choose -- not someone else."

Best Regards,

Michael Malgeri  
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

**Subject:** APALC comment about revised Congressional visualization as of 7:10 pm for South & Southwest Los Angeles

**From:** Eugene Lee <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:32 PM

**To:** Voters First Act <[REDACTED]>

**CC:** Deanna Kitamura <[REDACTED]> Daniel Ichinose <[REDACTED]> Joanna Lee <[REDACTED]>

Dear Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission,

As a civil rights organization, the Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC) expresses concern about the revised visualization displayed at around 7:10 pm today for south Los Angeles and southwest Los Angeles Congressional districts (the visualization showing blue, yellow and green-shaded districts).

This revised visualization appears to deprive communities of interest in south Los Angeles and southwest Los Angeles with common socioeconomic needs of the ability to have fair and effective representation.

This revised visualization also appears to deprive African American communities of fair opportunities to elect preferred candidates of their choice.

We also respectfully note that compactness is a lower-ranked criterion than compliance with the federal Voting Rights Act and also respect for the geographical integrity of cities, counties, neighborhoods and communities of interest.

Best regards,  
Eugene Lee

**Eugene Lee**  
*Voting Rights Project Director*

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Member of Asian American Center for Advancing Justice

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**Subject:** ARCADIA and SAN MARINO Redraw the Lines

**From:** "Rex Burton" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:34 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

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

DATE: 07/24/11

Dear Commission Members:

Please redraw Arcadia and San Marino to be included with the common "communities of interest" in the San Gabriel Foothill Mountains (LASGF). Even the lines that are currently drawn, Arcadia is gerrymandered between by neighboring cities of Sierra Madre & Monrovia. Instead, Arcadia with San Marino are being divided and forced to join other cities farther south with which we have nothing in common. This is wrong.

Arcadia & San Marino share a common interest with other foothill communities with east-west transportation on the 210 Foothill freeway, public traffic roads, and the construction of the Gold Line Foothill Extension

Arcadia & San Marino have intercity contracts and agreements with other foothill communities for law enforcement, fire protection, medical services, and upper watershed management & conservation

Arcadia & San Marino have an entirely different socio-economic base, environmental issues, quality of living standards, and contributions to local 'communities of interest' than the cities farther south.

Arcadia's & San Marino's unity and strength is in knowing that they're a major foothill neighbor with ties to local cities that share mutual support and co-dependence of the equal flow of resources and employment in the northern vicinity.

Arcadia & San Marino are already known for its largely diverse population of ethnic groups which well meets the Voting Rights Act standards. For the above reasons and more, please redraw Arcadia and San Marino to be included in the San Gabriel Foothill Mountain area (LASGF) in the assembly, senate, and congressional districts.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Rex Burton*

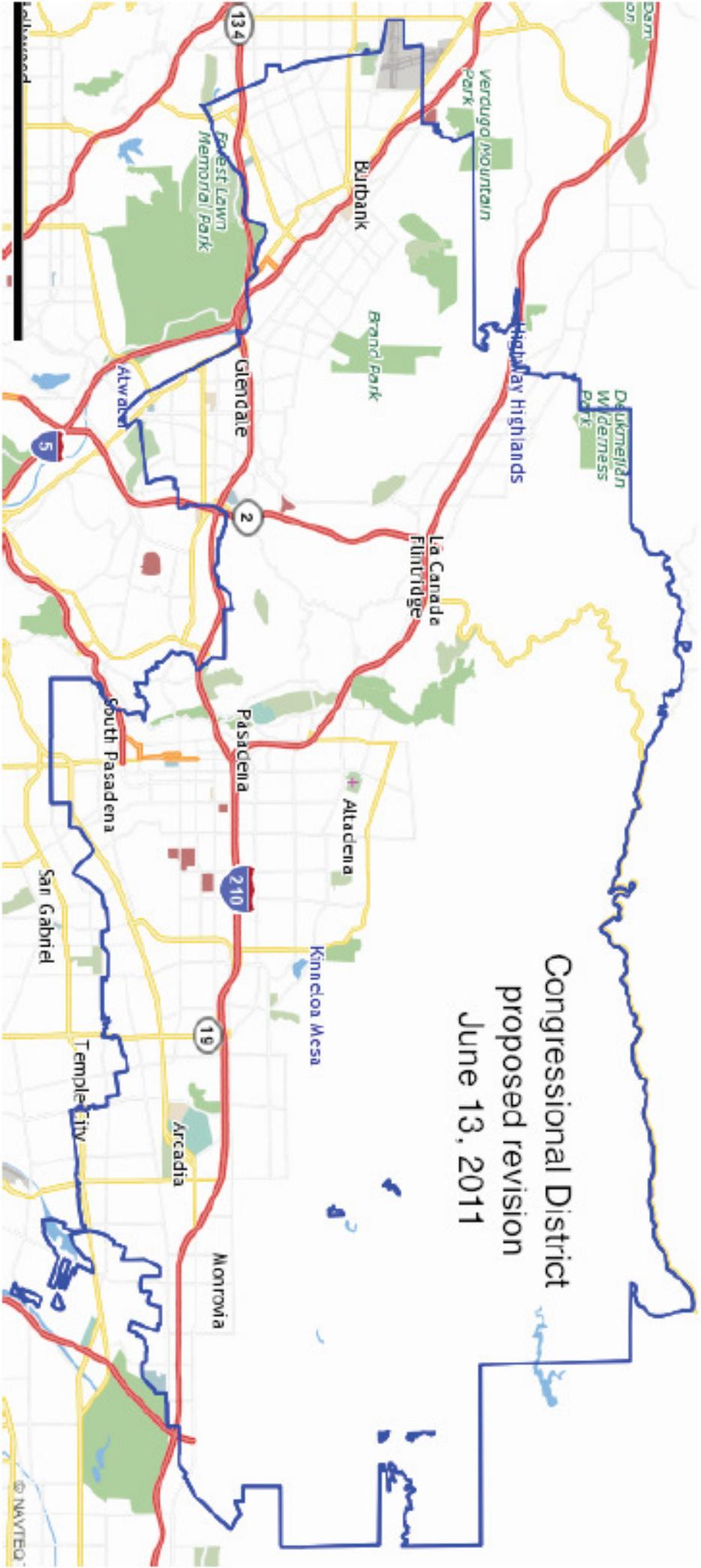
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See Fuller maps attached

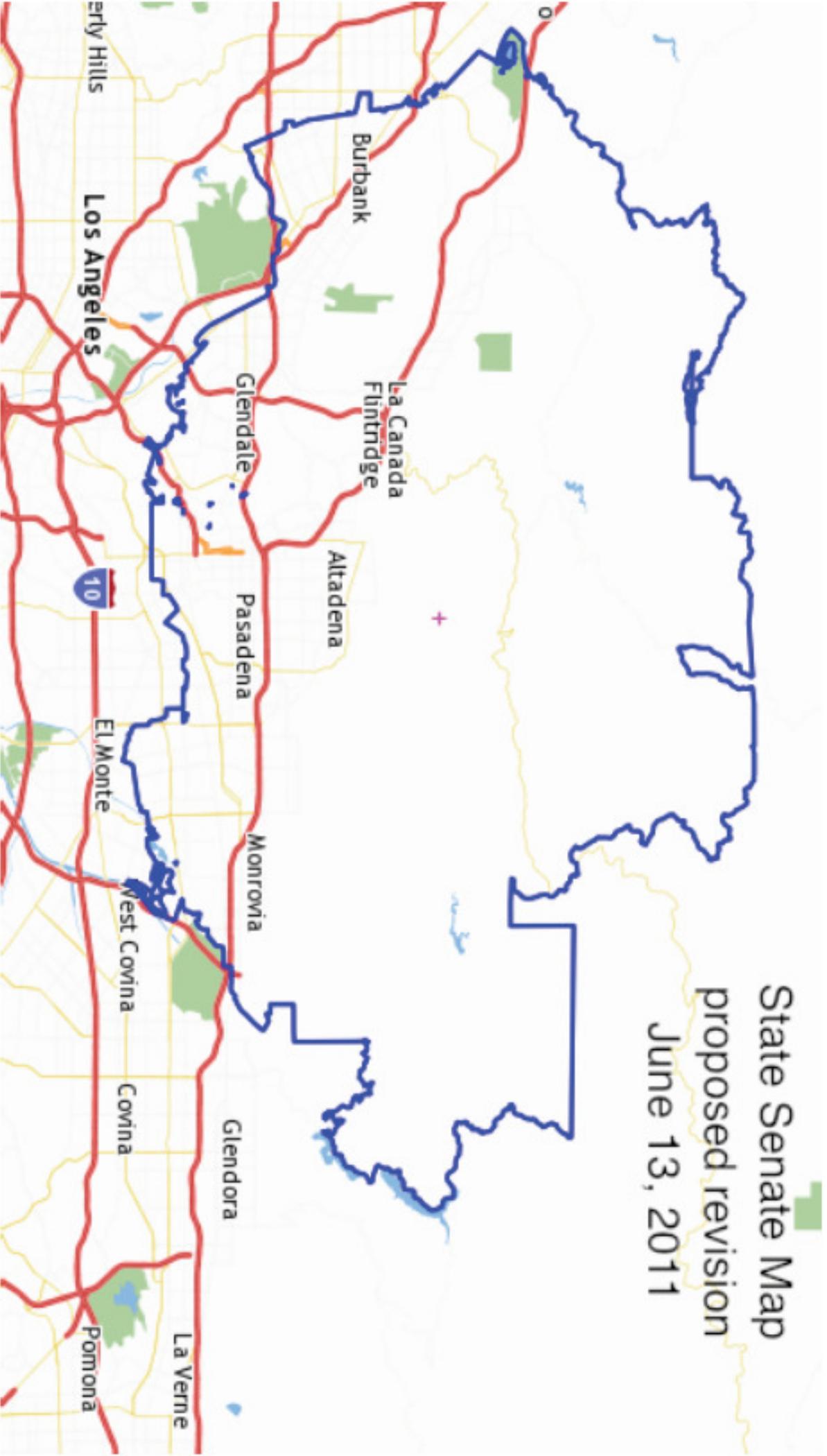
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June 13, 2011



Congressional District  
proposed revision  
June 13, 2011



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proposed revision  
June 13, 2011



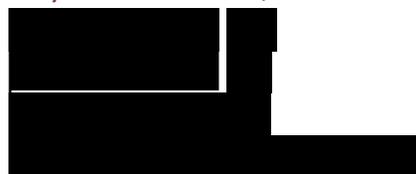
**From:** Katrina Manning <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:25 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]

Please put City of Hawthorne with Beach Cities

Thanks,

Katrina

**Katrina Manning - Realtor** ®  
*Residential Specialist*  
TAMMY HINKLE & ASSOCIATES  
City of Hawthorne, Parks & Rec's Commissioner



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**Subject:** Board Configuration

**From:** gene hale <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:36 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

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From: Gene Hale <[REDACTED]>

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sun, Jul 24, 2011 6:15 pm

Subject: Fw: BOE Configurations

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From: Gene Hale <[REDACTED]>

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

Sent: Sun, Jul 24, 2011 6:15 pm

Subject: Fw: BOE Configurations

Honorable Commissioners  
California Redistricting Commission  
& Mr. Daniel Claypool  
Executive Director  
901 P Street, Suite 154-A  
Sacramento CA 95814

Dear Commissioners and Mr. Claypool

The 4th District of the Board of Equalization provide minorities, Latinos in particular, the best opportunity to get elected to the Board of Equalization if the Commission does not split the City of Los Angeles and excludes Orange County. If approved, the current visualization they would have missed an opportunity to satisfy the true essence of the Voting Rights Act Section 2 & 5.

The Latino Citizen Voting Age Population is upward 42% and the Asian and African American CVAP are equally strong; compared to all of the other districts. Equally significant, all of the communities of interest within the City of Los Angeles have proven that they have the propensity to support common causes, policies, and politics and are a cohesive cultural interest.

This communities of interest have elected, 3 African American and several Latinos and one Asian to the Los Angeles City Council; an Asian as State Controller, and Asian to City Council and Mayors positions throughout the county and an Asian and African American to the Board of Equalization and Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. Splitting the City of Los Angeles and adding Orange County to the 4th BOE District will split several communities of interests and dilutes the voting influence of Latinos, Asians, and African Americans. These inteersts will be mixed with ethic and non-Lation communities in Orange County that do not share the same interest.

Although the City of Los Angeles is not a Section 5 jurisdiction, it fully satisfies the Section 5 benchmarks and the intent of the Voters Rights Act; keep the City of Los Angeles

whole in the 4th District of the Board of Equalization provide every ethnic group the greatest potential of being elected to the Board of Equalization.

The Greater Los Angeles African American Chamber of Commerce (GLAAACC) greatly appreciate the sensitivity the Commission has demonstrated to these issues and urge them to re-draw their map to keep the City of Los Angeles and as much of LA County as possible within the 4th District of the BOE.

Sincerely

Gene Hale, Chair  
Greater Los Angeles African American Chamber of Commerce

**Subject:** Brentwood District

**From:** Jerry Lubin <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:33 PM

**To:** Communications Office <[REDACTED]>

**CC:** Jackie Raymond <[REDACTED]> Jerry Lubin <[REDACTED]>

As residents of South Brentwood since 1969, we have worked on issues relating to our entire Brentwood area. not just South Brentwood! We belong with the rest of Brentwood, NOT with West LA. We would also like to see the entire VA property in our district. Please revise your district proposal to allow the common interests of these areas to in one diistrict. Thank you. Eve and Jerome Lubin

**Subject:** CD 1.2 support

**From:** Ahnnya Slaughter <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:15 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

I am emailing to support of CD 1.2. Thank you!

Ahnnya Slaughter

[REDACTED]

Hawthorne, CA 90250

**Subject:** Hawthorne, California redistricting

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:46 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**CC:** [REDACTED]

Please I have resided in Hawthorne, California for 45 years, please do not separate Hawthorne, California from the South Bay/beach cities. Hawthorne, California has been part of South Bay/beach cities for years and years and for what purpose now to redistrict Hawthorne, California. To stop what redistricting for voting, it will not work. Look at New York. California is too liberal, especially Hawthorne, California.

Thank you.

**Subject:** Hawthorne

**From:** "Christopher Richert " <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:34 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commission Members,

It looks like the most recent lines you've drawn for my congressional district reflect the people's wishes. Thank you! I beg you to adopt them as the final lines!

Chris Richert

Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

**Subject:** Include El Segundo in Beach Cities Districts

**From:** Suzanne Fuentes <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:14 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for the opportunity to address you twice on Thursday, July 21st, on behalf of the City of El Segundo and the Beach Cities Districts.

I traveled to Sacramento and personally presented you with copies of the City of El Segundo's Resolution # 4726 on behalf of El Segundo and its residents.

The CRC has received over 1,800 emails today from individuals all over the South Bay who want El Segundo included in the Beach Cities Assembly District. Please consider these as 1,800 individual petitions on behalf of El Segundo.

Please listen to the voice of these people and recognize the Beach Cities' Community of Interest and include El Segundo with the other Beach Cities.

Respectfully,

Suzanne Fuentes  
Council Member  
City of El Segundo

**Subject:** Keep South Bay TOGETHER Yes-Option 1.2- Stop the Gerrymandering

**From:** Gary Aven <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:21 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**FOR YEARS AND YEARS THE LOS ANGELES TIMES HAS HAD THIS POSTED AS SOUTH BAY.**

<http://projects.latimes.com/mapping-la/neighborhoods/region/south-bay/>

**Only a group playing the worst kind of partisan politics would divide this community otherwise.**

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OR

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Save California from a referendum DO THE RIGHT THING

Gary Aven

**Subject:** Keep South Bay TOGETHER

**From:** Gary Aven <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:11 PM

**To:** redistricting <[REDACTED]>

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Gary Aven

**Subject:** Listen to the voices of Westchester Residents

**From:** "Carol Ziegler" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:55 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

**WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT YOU LISTEN TO THE RESIDENTS OF WESTCHESTER, PLAYA DEL REY AND PLAYA VISTA** and keep us together as a "Community of Common Interests" as you have done in the Assembly and Senate maps. We should be properly aligned with the other South Bay Beach Cities as you have done in the Senate Map.

Please implement the same reasoning when revising the Congressional Map.

Thank you.

**Ruth and Dale Plueger – Residents of Westchester (Los Angeles 90045) since 1947**

**Carol Ziegler – Resident of Westchester since 1952**

**Doug Ziegler – Resident of Westchester since 1985**

**Subject:** Los Angeles CDs

**From:** Walter Hawkins <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:07 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**CC:** E Teasley <[REDACTED]> Cheryl Brown <[REDACTED]>

Your consideration of making an African American district in South Los Angeles with a Black CVAP of over 50% is unacceptable. It would also result in the elimination of another African American CD.

The Inland Empire African American Redistricting Coalition continues to support the AARC plan. The Commission has ignored the fact that the African American community does not have to be a majority in these districts to elect a candidate of their choice. This would be packing and is a VRA violation.

Please revisit these districts and be more sensitive to the COI testimony.

Thank you.

Walter Hawkins  
IEAARC  
via Galaxy Tab

**Subject:** New proposed South Bay CD (PVEP?)

**From:** Kyle Hamilton <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:20 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

To the Commission:

YES!!!!!!! This is SO much better!!!!!!Thank you for hearing us; now, please APPROVE this!!!!

Kyle Hamilton Orlemann  
Hawthorne, Ca.

**Subject:** nice visualization LAPVB!

**From:** Nathan Mintz <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:10 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

That's the South Bay -- please approve this.

Judith and Nathan Mintz  
Redondo Beach, CA

**Subject:** not listening to taxpayers of Westchester/Playa

**From:** Cyndi Hensch <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:16 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Parvenu just let the elephant out of the bag. Westchester/Playa does not belong in this district as you have it drawn.

Cyndi Hensch

**Subject:** Opposition to Westchester Redistricted to Beach Citites Congressional District

**From:** "Sheila Mickelson" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:51 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commissioners,

I have been watching the hearings today and dialogue in relation to congressional redistricting that would affect Westchester and surrounding Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) communities of interest. I again urge the commission to keep the Westchester community in the current proposed congressional district along with our LAX community of interest cities and not redistrict us to the Beach Cities congressional district.

*If you elect to move the Westchester community to the newly proposed Beach Cities congressional district you will disenfranchise our community and we will not be a part of a "real community of interest" district in relation to issues that have an immediate and direct impact on us , LAX - employment and economic interests, environmental concerns, safety concerns, noise, traffic concerns,..... Also as currently redistricted, Westchester continues to be a part of a multi ethnic and diverse community of interest district. Please do not break up our shared interests with the cities to the East of us and the multi-ethnic benefits that enhance our lives and communities.*

Thank you again for your consideration regarding this matter and again, I trust in the final outcome, you will keep Westchester in the currently proposed congressional district and not disenfranchise our community by redistricting us to the THE BEACH CITIES CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

Respectfully,

Sheila Mickelson

[REDACTED]  
Westchester, Ca. 90045

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**From:** Sheila Mickelson [mailto:[REDACTED]]

**Sent:** Saturday, July 23, 2011 7:38 AM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Opposition to Westchester Redistricted to Beach Citites Congressional District

Dear Commissioners,

Thank you for the hard work you are doing for all Californians.

My name is Sheila Mickelson and I am a 20+ year resident of Westchester. I appreciate the opportunity to reiterate my testimony of June 16<sup>th</sup> where I testified at the commission hearing in Culver City. I am writing to strongly support keeping my Westchester community along with Playa del Rey as part of the IGWSG congressional district and not part of the Beach Cities district.

Westchester is the home of LAX and we share economic benefits and impacts with our LAX community of interest neighbors to the East of us not the proposed Beach Cities congressional district. Over the years we have built strong relationships with Inglewood, Lennox, Lawndale, Hawthorne, Gardena and other LAX community of interest neighbors currently in the 35<sup>th</sup> district. We share a multitude of common interests and concerns ranging from traffic, noise, safety concerns, environmental concerns, airport expansion as well as

the economic benefits.

We do not share a community of interest relationship with the Beach Cities Congressional district other than El Segundo. I urge you to keep Westchester/Playa del Rey in the IGWSG congressional district in the final outcome of the redistricting process.

Thank you again for your time and consideration regarding this matter.

Sheila Mickelson

[REDACTED]  
Los Angeles, Ca. 90045

[REDACTED]

**Subject:** PLACE HAWTHORNE IN SOUTH BAY DISTRICT

**From:** R S <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:32 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Commissioners,

Please read this link to see what our local press is saying about the South Bay redistricting situation:

[http://www.dailybreeze.com/latestnews/ci\\_18536891](http://www.dailybreeze.com/latestnews/ci_18536891)

"Place Hawthorne in South Bay Districts"

Ruben Sanchez

North Hawthorne Community Association

Vice President

**Subject:** PLEASE DON'T SEPARATE US FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

**From:** <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:59 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

**WE DO NOT WANT TO BE SEPARATED FROM OTHERS IN OUR SAME COMMUNITY**

**Please put everything south of the 105 and west of the 110 -- Option 1.2 -- in the same district. Our South Bay community deserves to be represented by someone we choose -- not someone else. Please keep our South Bay Community of Interest whole in Congress.**

**Thank you for hearing us --**

**Subject:** Protect

**From:** Tishana Starling [REDACTED]

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:10 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Re-drawing the district lines in Los Angeles to limit African American voting power goes against all America claims it stands for I am firmly against this measure. Futhermore you should be ashamed of yourself for developing such a policy.

Tishana Starling

**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** "Terry L. Hake-Church" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:33 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Terry L. Hake-Church <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting in Sunland-Tujunga

Message Body:

Dear Commission Members,

I urge you to consider redistricting Sunland-Tujunga with our common neighbors: Kagel Canyon, Lake View Terrace, Shadow Hills, La Tuna Canyon, La Crescenta, Montrose, La Canada-Flintridge, Glendale and Burbank.

We and our neighbors share the same Income Level, Education, Housing, Transportation, Historic Preservation, Environmental issues, Protection of Open Space, the Angeles National Forest, San Gabriel/Verdugo Mountains, Wildlife, Watershed, Hiking, Equestrian Trails and Disaster Preparedness issues. Burbank and Glendale provide us with our closest Hospitals/ Medical, Shopping and Entertainment Hub and we also share two nearby colleges.

Thank you for your consideration in the matter and listening to the concerned citizens of Sunland-Tujunga.

Terry L. Hake-Church  
Tujunga Resident for 39 years

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Melissa Reischman <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:44 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Melissa Reischman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Dear Commission Members,

I urgently plea that your commission board redistricts Sunland-Tujunga with our common neighbors: Kagel Canyon, Lake View Terrace, Shadow Hills, La Tuna Canyon, La Crescenta, Montrose, La Canada-Flintridge, Glendale and Burbank.

We and our neighbors share the same: Income Level, Education, Housing, Transportation, Historic Preservation, Environmental issues, Protection of Open Space, the Angeles National Forest, San Gabriel/Verdugo Mountains, Wildlife, Watershed, Hiking, Equestrian Trails and Disaster Preparedness issues.

Burbank and Glendale provide us with our closest Hospitals/Medical, Shopping and Entertainment Hub and we also share two nearby colleges.

This redistrict move for Sunland-Tujunga makes so much sense due to all of common issues we all share & detailed above.

Thank you for sincerely considering & listening to all of the concerned citizens of sunland-Tujunga, myself included.

Thank you.

Melissa Reischman  
Tujunga, California

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** barbara d johnson <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:13 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: barbara d johnson <[REDACTED]>

Subject: tujunga

Message Body:

Wewould like you to consider the following redistricting, Kagel Canyon, Shadow Hills, Sunland,Tujunga, La Crescenta & Glendale.

Our district is already so cut up and CD2 has North Hollywood/Studio City in it which makes absolutely no sense. Different economical regions & people. Let the Foothills be together.

Thank you kindly.

Barbara D.Johnson

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Nina Royal <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:14 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Nina Royal <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Maps & Comment submissions

Message Body:

Sunday, July 24, 2011

Subject: Rural Foothill Communities of Interest Assembly District

Dear Commissioners:

The rural Foothills Area and neighbors of Sunland-Tujunga have submitted comments and maps for Congress, Senate and Assembly. We are also asking for a rural foothills 'Communities of Interest' (COI) Assembly District along the San Gabriel Mountain's Foothills from Kagel Canyon to La Canada Flintridge, including Glendale and Burbank, with whom we share many things including the Verdugo Mountain range and the Wildlife Corridor known as the Rim of the Valley.

We are happy that you heard us regarding the Congress and the Senate, but see no evidence that the Commission is doing so with the Assembly District on this website. We find we are still in the East San Fernando Valley District, with whom we do not share common interest. The SFV is "big city" and we are "rural" communities who wish to continue to work together with our neighbors to stay that way.

We are asking you to give this your utmost attention per the motion and letter submitted by the Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council, as well as letters from the other communities of Kagel Canyon, Lake View View Terrace, Shadow Hills, La Tuna Canyon, Sunland-Tujunga, La Crescenta, Montros, La Canada Flintridge, Glendale and Burbank

Sincerely,

Nina Royal  
Redistricting Advocate  
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** "Terry Greenberger, Martin Greenberger" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:32 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Terry Greenberger, Martin Greenberger <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Westchester and Playa with the South Bay, PLEASE

Message Body:

Please keep our South Bay Community of Interest whole for Congress in the same district. Our South Bay community deserves to be represented by someone we choose -- not someone else." Westchester and Playa del Rey are de facto parts of the South Bay so please make it legal.

Sincerely, The Greenbergers

Residents of Westchester since 1971

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Denise Yamamoto <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:01 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Denise Yamamoto <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting comment

Message Body:

I live in the Tujunga and our community strongly opposes the continuance of being part of Pacoima, Lake View Terrace, Sylmar area. We would urge you to place us in the district of Glendale, Burbank and La Crescenta. We desire to follow their ordinances in order to clean up our community that is run by Los Angeles City planning etc...Our community is becoming more and more industrialized and we have ONE main street (the corridor) that runs through it and it is inundated with Body shops and auto repair facilities and the City of L.A. is overwhelmed in order to place emphasize on taking care of our requests and concerns to this nature. It has been a futile battle trying to keep this type of businesses from taking over the possibility of any other type of business because they are popping up over night with no permits, signs that don't comply with the city's requirements and what not. We want to be out of the governance of the city of L.A. and the riff raff that moves uo he!

re to open fly by night businesses because of the reputation that ANYONE can come to Tujunga and Sunland and open any kind of Auto Reppair Facility. Our corridor Foothill Blvd has tow trucks blocking one of the two lanes we have one way, waiting to have the opportunity to back into a Body Shop at which time it has to block both lanes to unload 2-3 crashed cars, or to pick up a crashed car to take to the junk yard. We look like an industrial city with some homes in it and people that done't care...when the truth is that we do care, but don't have the right officials to back up our desire to clean up our community and make it a pleasant corridor to drive through. As long as it stays looking like this we will look like and indutrial area forever with just the railroad tracks missing. Within 1 mile of our 5 mile corridor I counted 18 auto repair facilities (auto body shops and mechanical shops.) It is out of our control, frustrating and an ugly site when realtors want to br!

ing good reputable families to invest in property up here.

Thank you

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Thomas Zimmerman <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:19 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Thomas Zimmerman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Merger of foothill communities along Foothill Bld. corridor

Message Body:

I am writing to ask that the greater Crescenta Valley communities of Sunland-Tujunga, La Crescenta, Glendale, as well as Shadow Hills and La Tuna Canyon, be grouped together in the same House of Representatives, State Senate, and State Assembly districts.

We share a lot in common up here. In addition to our dedication to preserving our hillsides, mountain ranges and open space, we also share in common thread of Foothill Blvd. It is our main thoroughfare and we have common concerns about how it is maintained and developed. We share a number of common concerns even though we are in different 'cities'.

It would be to our advantage to have common representatives so that our combined voices will be better heard and we, as communities, would more likely be better served.

Thank you,

Tom Zimmerman

[REDACTED]  
La Crescenta, CA 91214

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**Subject:** Redistricting South Bay

**From:** "Jerry Orlemann" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:27 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

I am watching the visualizations currently under discussion.

I firmly believe the lines as drawn are the most consistent with the desires and interests of the communities involved.

I also am greatly disappointed in the racist comments I keep hearing about different ethnic groups being disenfranchised. We who are living here consider ourselves Americans, whatever our ethnic, religious or other differences may be.

These requests by the community, especially those coming from the residents of Hawthorne, are coming from Christians, Jews, Muslims, Blacks, Browns, Whites, and Yellows. We in our community appear to be less concerned with some of the issues that are being considered such as the color of our skins or the religious views we hold. We are a diverse community and we pride ourselves in being a diverse community.

I hope that you will respect the views of those of us living here who have been concerned enough and interested enough in our future to provide you with our input.

Breaking up the communities of the South Bay is not in the best interests of those communities.

Respectfully,

Jerry Orlemann  
Hawthorne, CA

**Subject:** Redistricting Westchester

**From:** Marty Francis <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:38 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

**CC:** [REDACTED]

To: The Citizens Redistricting Commission

I am asking, as a resident of Westchester, that you give serious consideration to placing Westchester, Playa del Rey and Playa Vista in the same district; we consider ourselves a Community. We share more interests with the South Bay Cities, than with the cities east of us.

I do feel I will be better represented, by our chosen representative, if we are included in the South Bay Cities Districts.

Thank you for your consideration.

Marthe W. Francis

[REDACTED].  
Westchester, CA 90045

**Subject:** redistricting

**From:** Elisabeth Minihan <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:09 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

We are a coastal community and belong with the beach cities. We have nothing in common with the inland communities, but have everything in common with the coastal communities. We were there before and should not be removed just to satisfy some politicians power base. This is all political and has nothing to do with the with the best interest of Westchester and Playa del Rey. A Westchester resident

**Subject:** Request for Congressional District version 1.2 to place Hawthorne in South Bay

**From:** Estela Villanueva <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:56 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Good afternoon,

My name is Estela Villanueva. I reside in Hawthorne zip code 90250. Please do place our City of Hawthorne with the South Bay cities.

Our city has always been considered a South Bay city. We pride and pay our property owner taxes to be in a South Bay city not South Central L.A. Please consider the value and asset that our city provides to the other South Bay cities.

Thank you for your attention to this email.

Thank you,

Estela Villanueva

Email correspondence was sent via hand held device, please excuse any typographical errors.

**Subject:** Request to Keep South Bay Together!!! PLEASE!!!! From Westchester to Palos Verdes with Straight Lines!

**From:** "Terry Fredrickson" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:24 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

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Thank you,

Terry Fredrickson  
Rancho Palos Verdes

**Subject:** So. California Redistricting for city of HAWTHORNE; CD 1.2

**From:** "Alene Gardner" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:02 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Committee,

I very much support the inclusion of the city of Hawthorne (90250) with the adjacent Beach cities; your plan CD 1.2.

I work in Torrance; shop in Torrance, Redondo Beach and Manhattan Beach. My gym is in Manhattan Beach and all my medical doctors are either in Torrance or Redondo Beach.

I heartily support the inclusion of the city of Hawthorne with the other beach cities. My neighbors and I have very little in common with cities to the East.

Thank you,

Alene Gardner

[REDACTED]  
Hawthorne, CA. 90250

Alene Gardner <[REDACTED]>

**Subject:** South Bay Cities Redistricting

**From:** Raquel Amezquita <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:36 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Dear Redistricting Commission,

Thank you so much for considering the communities of interest in the South Bay. This latest draft is on the right track to include cities that have similar interests. It is my hope that you keep the South Bay Cities with Hawthorne.

Thank you for your time,  
Raquel Amezquita  
Hawthorne Resident

Sent from my iPhone

**Subject:** South Los Angeles Districts

**From:** E Teasley <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:40 PM

**To:** "Parvenu, Andre" <[REDACTED]>

[REDACTED]

**CC:** "Office, Communications" <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commissioners:

After watching your debate over certain South Los Angeles districts, specifically Inglewood and Culver City/View Park, the African American Redistricting Collaborative (AARC) would like to make this point abundantly clear: Collapsing the two aforementioned districts would result in a dilution of African American voting power in violation of the Voting Rights Act. Even in the absence of Voting Rights Act concerns, you have received ample community of interest testimony to support the drawing of such districts.

Sincerely,

Erica Teasley Linnick  
Coordinator  
African American Redistricting Collaborative

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Erica Teasley Linnick, Esq.  
Coordinator  
African American Redistricting Collaborative (AARC)

[REDACTED]

Los Angeles CA 90044

[REDACTED]

<http://aarc-ca.tumblr.com>

**Subject:** Thank you!

**From:** Giannina Meidav <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:33 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Thank you for listening to our input. Please accept the new version which includes Hawthorne in the South Bay.

Thanks in advance for all of your hard work and time.

Take care,  
Giannina Meidav

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Giannina Meidav <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** July 24, 2011 5:07:46 PM PDT

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Bcc:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Hawthorne- Part of Beach Cities

To who it may concern;

I have been a Hawthorne resident for almost a decade and I had a business in Hawthorne for over four years. The majority of my customers were from the Hermosa Beach and Manhattan Beach areas.

Most of my family's daily activities are spread out between Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach and Redondo Beach. My kids go to camp in both Manhattan Beach and Hermosa beach, my husband plays volleyball in Hermosa Beach every weekend, we have several friends in Manhattan & Hermosa Beach that come to our house for dinner and play dates on a weekly basis. We shop at the Ralphs by the Manhattan Beach mall, the Manhattan Beach mall is our main mall, we frequent several restaurants in Hermosa beach, Manhattan Beach and Hawthorne, every activity we do on a daily basis revolves around the other beach cities and Hawthorne.

Our friends in those beach cities refer to Hawthorne as a beach city and part of the South Bay. We are only a couple of miles from the beach and all of our cities are very intertwined. Hawthorne is part of the South Bay Beach Cities. You are going in the right direction, please do what's right and adopt new lines that keep the Beach Cities and South Bay together.

Thanks in advance for your time.

Sincerely,

Giannina Meidav

Home owner and previous business owner

**Subject:** The South Bay districts should represent the South Bay

**From:** "Charles Nichols" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:48 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

If it is north of El Segundo, it is not in the South Bay. If it is North of Hawthorne, it is not in the South Bay. If It is East of Lawndale, it is not in the South Bay.

Lawndale, by the way, has been known as the "Heart of the South Bay" for nearly 50 years.

Fix your maps!

**Subject:** Westchester Belongs with South Bay Cities

**From:** Carol Ziegler <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:03 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

It's the right thing to do.....so.....

I ask that you keep Westchester, Playa del Rey and Playa Vista together as a Community of Common Interests as you have done in the Assembly and Senate maps. It only makes sense that Westchester be aligned with the other South Bay Beach Cities as you have done in the Senate Map. The same applies to revising the Congressional Map.

Thank you for doing the right thing.... the only right thing.... and keep Westchester together with the other South Bay Cities.

Carol Ziegler  
Westchester Resident

**Subject:** Westchester, CA district

**From:** Jody Kelley <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:47 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Hello--

**PLEASE PRESERVE THE REALCOMMUNITY OF INTEREST** of Westchester/Playa and the South Bay Beach Communities. If you have ever been to Westchester/Playa, you know that it has VASTLY more in common – in every respect – with the other South Bay communities.

YOU GOT IT RIGHT THE FIRST TIME! Look at your own State Senate map that you just approved – it follows the simple common sense of grouping the COASTAL COMMUNITIES together. Consistency, please!

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**WESTCHESTER/PLAYA DOES NOT SHARE A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST WITH SOUTH LOS ANGELES.**

Westchester/Playa citizens deserve fair representation. Please do not let us down. I'll say it again – you got it right with the first draft. It really is that simple.

Jody Kelley  
Westchester  
Sent from my iPhone.

**Subject:** Westchester

**From:** "jim " <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:41 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Why are you not talking about Westchester? You have carved out this community with other communities that have little common interest.

Our commonality runs north and south, not east and west.

Keep politics OUT of this.

Jim Wiles  
Westchester

**Subject:** Westchester/Playa del Rey

**From:** Scott Carni <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:50 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commission,

My name is Scott Carni, President of the Board for the Westchester/Playa del Rey area's Recreation & Parks. We are a region of the greater Los Angeles Recreation and Parks system. I oversee, lead and represent the interests of this community's constituents as needed for our 8 parks. I'm also a 51 year resident, native and 3rd generation local.

Westchester/Playa del Rey is clearly and historically a community tied to its' neighbors bordering the Santa Monica Bay. It always has been, and always will be a beach community. The 405 is our embarkation to the East. We have so many common interests with with our beach towns north and south it's hard to list them all.

It has been said, that Westchester/Playa del Rey is the most organized in all of Los Angeles, and rightfully so. Our common issues are LAX to our south, the environmentally sensitive ocean to our west the native coastal bluffs and wetlands to our north and the traffic corridor of the 405 to our east. All of which, is similar to the established boundaries of our Neighborhood Council. From a Recreation and Parks point of view, we respond strongly to the needs of this area, yet coordinate activities with surrounding communities north and south. Never east.

To our East is a different municipality called Inglewood. A wonderful city, but different is culture, education and socio-economic views.

Just this past Friday, we reopened Westchester Park (picture attached), the entire playground is designed around the ocean and a wharf. It cost \$500,000 and should last 15 years. We replaced the outdoor basketball courts with a skateboard park. After many public hearings, this is what the community asked for. Our total expenditure exceeded \$1.1 Million. Why, because we have more in common with El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Redondo, the Marina area, etc.

**PLEASE do not bifurcate this community unfairly. Let our children know they shall be represented properly along with our fellow beach towns. We are one and the same.**

Thank You

**Scott Carni**  
**President, WRC Park Advisory Board**  
***Serving 8 parks in our Area***  
[REDACTED] **Direct**

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—Attachments:



**Subject:** Westchester/Playa del Rey

**From:** "Becky Azad" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:11 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

People, listen up because I do not feel that you understand that Westchester/Playa del Rey/Playa Vista has NO "community of interest" with our immediate neighbor, Inglewood, and other cities to the east. Our "COI" is with the beach cities, including coastal concerns, lifestyle, and LAX expansion. El Segundo and Westchester/Playa have a unique COI with LAX and also need to be together.

Please listen to us and consider that you are giving us no representation by aligning us with any area other than the other south bay beach cities. We need to keep all the beach cities' COI's together because of our common issues. Why you are considering putting our neighborhood with Inglewood, Lennox, and other cities east of us is beyond me! Do the right thing for our community and keep our neighborhood council area together (Westchester/Playa del Rey/Playa Vista) and align us with the rest of the beach cities. Gratefully,  
Becky Azad

**Subject:** Westchester/Playa is a South Bay Beach Community!

**From:** adelaide vaughn <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 6:26 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Commissioners,

Westchester/Playa is a coastal community - an indisputable fact that ALL your first draft maps recognized. (The State Senate map still does.)

Now the State Assembly and ESPECIALLY the Congressional map IGNORE the reality that Westchester/Playa shares a true community of interest with the other South Bay Beach communities. Why such a counter-productive change? Westchester/Playa has little in common with South Los Angeles, which dominates the newly-proposed Congressional district. Such a district will deprive the citizens of Westchester/Playa of adequate representation.

Please give the citizens of Westchester/Playa the fair representation we deserve.

Please preserve our true community of interest by consistently applying the fact-based rationale previously reflected in all three maps - until bewildering changes were made to two of them.

Please honor your responsibility to create competitive districts that reflect REAL Communities of Interest. Westchester/Playa does not share a Community of Interest with South Los Angeles - they are dramatically different areas. Westchester/Playa is a coastal community and part of L.A.'s South Bay. Please respect this simple fact.

Sincerely,

Adelaide Vaughn

**Subject:** Westchester/Playa

**From:** Cyndi Hench <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:24 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Come on people WESTCHESTER/PLAYA does not belong in a district that Parvenu just described as high crime, low income, etc. NOT AT ALL.

And to say that Inglewood and LAX are a COI, what about the communities to the north and south - Westchester/Playa and El Segundo.

This is not right. We have NO representation in the visualization that has the north, central, south districts for the westside and south bay. We are a Beach City - we have SAND. We have miles of it. SOUTH BAY BEACH CITY

Cyndi Hench, again

**Subject:** Wiseburn

**From:** Rodney Hironymous <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:41 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Redistricting Committee,

As a homeowner and resident of Wiseburn, I implore you to include our Wiseburn community grouped with the beach cities of Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Playa Vista, Torrance and their neighbors.

Sincerely,

Rodney and Yuki Hironymous

[REDACTED]  
Wiseburn, Unincorporated Los Angeles

**Subject:** without lomita the district is untraversable

**From:** Nathan Mintz <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:13 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

You can't get to RHE unless you go through Lomita.

Judy and Nathan Mintz

Redondo Beach, CA

**Subject:** WLADT - Suggestion for Coastal Community

**From:** "westchesterkids.org" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:13 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Please... your wrong.

Airport and Westchester are COI

History.. Westchester lost 4500 homes and 10000 residents to the airport. This is why there is a COI.

Airport and Inglewood are not COI

David Coffin

[www.westchesterkids.org](http://www.westchesterkids.org)

**Subject:** WLADT - Suggestion for Coastal Community

**From:** "westchesterkids.org" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 7:24 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Westchester has a very real interest with the airport because it lost 4500 homes and 10000 residents to airport expansion. Inglewood does not have the same interest because it did not lose any homes or residents.

David Coffin

[www.westchesterkids.org](http://www.westchesterkids.org)

**Subject:** 36th Congressional District

**From:** Lloyd Morris <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:22 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

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PLEASE PUT TORRANCE BACK IN THE 36TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT!

Cathy Morris  
Torrance Resident

**Subject:** 36th Congressional Redistricting

**From:** Dan Kerr <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:25 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

To the Redistricting Commission,

The suggested boundaries for the 36th Congressional District do not represent the interests of the South Bay. Put Torrance back in the 36th Congressional District and Assembly District. The South Bay should be Westchester south only. El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district.

Dan Kerr

**From:** Janet Vaughan <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:01 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

I live in the Wiseburn district and have since 1972. I could never understand why our area is not in the beach cities district. Could you at least consider it?

**Subject:** BOE Maps - SFV

**From:** Paul Mitchell <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:36 PM

**To:** "Office, Communications" <[REDACTED]>

You should have Q2 bust open the VICA neighborhood layers.

**Subject:** Brentwood and WLA VA Med Ctr

**From:** "Jerry Orlemann" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:26 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

I urgently request that you reconsider the idea of including the WLA VA property in the district with Brentwood.

Historically there has been movement on the part of the Brentwood community to take over control of the VA property. Those who are trying to retain the property as it was originally given to the VA are attempting to keep other community districts, like Brentwood, from eventually taking over the VA property for their own use rather than for the use of our Veterans.

Including the WLA VA property in the Brentwood district is one step closer in Brentwood's move to gain control of the property for their own financial gains.

My fellow Veterans are picketing on the WLA VA grounds every Sunday to protest the actions of the community of Brentwood trying to take over the WLA VA property.

Speaking as a Veteran (not representing any group),

Jerry Orlemann

Member of the Vietnam Veterans of America South Bay Chapter 53

**Subject:** FW: Urgent: Redistricting

**From:** AV Greenberg <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:27 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

i was born here in SOUTH BRENTWOOD ,i live here all my life ,i want to continue to stay and to live in BRENTWOOD.

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From: [REDACTED]

Date: Fri, 22 Jul 2011 20:46:52 -0400

Subject: Urgent: Redistricting

To: [REDACTED]

**A reminder:**

**Congressional redistricting affects us in South Brentwood...the proposed current lines divide the district at Westgate so all residents east of Westgate are in a different congressional district than the rest of Brentwood.**

**Flora Gil Krisiloff, Westside Senior Field Deputy for County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky encourages us to continue to contact the commission via e-mail at [REDACTED] and by fax at [REDACTED] but only through tomorrow, July 23.**

She said they "will continue to take public comment to inform the maps through July 23rd, Any comments received after July 23rd will no longer be able to impact the maps, as the Commission's line-drawing phase will have formally closed, but will still be reviewed and posted."

***Attached is the letter sent by Supervisor Yaroslavsky.***

Nancy Freedman, chair of the Brentwood Community Council flew to Sacramento yesterday and spoke at the Redistricting Commission hearing. She said that the commission appeared to be very aware of the emails and letters that have been sent. Please help support our efforts.

Thank you!

Marylin

**You can say:**

We who live in South Brentwood are an integral part of Brentwood...not West LA! Please keep all of Brentwood in the same district!!

Please also keep the VA in our district-we have worked closely with them for years as their partner and neighbor.

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**ZEV YAROSLAVSKY**

SUPERVISOR, THIRD DISTRICT

July 21, 2011

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

Dear Members:

Thank you, again, for this opportunity to comment regarding the drawing of districts lines. I have heard from a broad spectrum of my constituency and I would like to speak to their, and my, continuing concerns. In my second communication to the commission, I spoke of the untenable configuration of what was then called the Santa Clarita Valley Senate District. The most recent State Senate visualization, (EVENT, 7/17/5:00PM option 1) is no better a solution to the previously stated problems with regards to keeping communities of interest intact.

### **Senate District EVENT**

The communities of interest along the 118/126/5 inland transportation corridor (Simi Valley, Moorpark, Santa Paula, Fillmore, Piru and a remaining section of Santa Clarita) and the separate communities along the 101/405/ PCH mountains and coastal transportation corridor (Thousand Oaks, Agoura, Calabasas, Malibu, Topanga, Pacific Palisades and Santa Monica) do not fit together in any way.

The Commission has recognized the proper configuration for these areas in its iteration of the Congress LA maps (WALDT, AVSCV, 7/18, 5:00 PM) and the iteration of the Assembly LA maps (LAMWS, LASCV, 7/17, 3:40 PM). I see no reason why this logical criteria of cohesive communities of interest, compactness and geographical considerations was not applied in drawing the boundaries for the State Senate District EVENT (7/14/10:30 AM Senate LA, 7/17/5:00 PM Senate LA option 1).

The region containing the LA Westside coastal corridor and the Santa Monica Mountains unites a very diverse intersection of Community, City, County, State and Federal jurisdictions that are unique to this corridor. These complex

relationships, in terms of public safety, environmental regulations, transportation infrastructure and economic interdependence have been developed over the past decades through leadership and cooperation at all levels; to drastically re-write the map now makes no sense, and is not supported by the stakeholder communities who have worked tirelessly to protect and preserve their mutual interests.

Employing the logic exhibited in the Commission's State Assembly (7/17/3:40) and Congressional iterations (7/18/5:00), in terms of Senate District EVENT, the simplest solution would be to reconnect Moorpark, Simi Valley and Santa Clarita (using the 118 as the southern edge of this area in the LA County portion) to the Senate district to the West (SBWVE) or districts to the East (LAAVV, LASFE), and in their stead include the whole of the City of Santa Monica and West Los Angeles to the 405, then follow the 405 north to Mulholland (as per Senate LA 7/13/10:30 AM) and turn east to include the rest of the 101 corridor to Studio City. Balancing population from this basic configuration will best serve the public good.

### **Congressional**

Additionally, I would like to address a specific concern involving LA Congressional District WLADT and the Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Complex (VA) that has been brought to my attention by my constituents. Within the complexity of the work you are undertaking, it is important to consider smaller communities of interest often overlooked in the application of section 2 concerns, economic interconnections and community cohesion. For US Service men and women, the VA west of the 405 in Brentwood cannot be overlooked.

I see no reason or need to carve the VA out of its current Congressional District (as drawn in WLADT, 7/18/5:00PM), and separate it from Brentwood which is the *only* residential community contiguous with the VA campus. This is a historical community that grew from mutual desires to secure land for the Old Soldiers Home back in 1888, and to retain it in perpetuity for all our Los Angeles County Veterans. My office has worked for decades with the VA, our Congressional and Senate representatives, and the community to keep the VA for the Veterans.

Too often, the men and women who have served this nation in combat have returned home in need of the services of the VA. This requires efforts on the local level, with housing and services for homeless Vets, and on the state and federal level for support services and health care, of which the VA is a major component. These efforts take coordination among all key stakeholders. The number of

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men and women from our nation's military who will need critical assistance with health and welfare will only continue to grow as more troops return from deployment in Iraq and Afghanistan. We owe it to them to not put any new impediments or complications in their way as they re-adjust to civilian life.

I ask that you please retain the VA and its environs in its current Congressional District, thus assuring continuity and continued cohesiveness among the whole community of stakeholders who are vested in protecting and preserving the VA.

We appreciate your time and efforts in the daunting task before you, and hope you take into full consideration the critical points I have stated in support of the views of my constituency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zev Yaroslavy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

ZEV YAROSLAVSKY  
Supervisor, Third District

**Subject:** Hawthorne --> Beach Cities/South Bay

**From:** "Shavonda W. Christmas" [REDACTED]

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:01 PM

**To:** [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

You must include Hawthorne in the Beach Cities/South Bay community. We are counting on you to support recent variations of the district to restore Hawthorne to the Beach Cities/South Bay district/area. We believe you hear us and will respond positively!

Thank you for your consideration.

**Shavonda Webber-Christmas, MPH**

Health Policy & Management Consultant

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Be Well, Enjoy Life, Make a World of Difference!!

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail

**Subject:** Inglewood, Culver City and Hawthorne.

**From:** William Monroe Campbell <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 11:53 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Members of the Commission,

I write to you seriously concerned about efforts to minimize the number of districts that would afford representation for the African American community. The 2-3-4 plan respected the character of our community and afforded us opportunities for continuing meaningful representation at the respective legislative levels. Reductively modifying this not only brings injury to our community but vibrant participation for many people who have had their sights lifted and encouraged by what has been accomplished. Please do not engage in such destructive processes.

Pastor William Monroe Campbell

**Subject:** KEEP SOUTH BAY TOGETHER from Westchester to Palos Verdes with straight lines

**From:** Raul Lopez <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:27 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

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Thank you,

Raul Lopez  
San Pedro

**Subject:** KEEP SOUTH BAY TOGETHER

**From:** "[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:39 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

"Thank you for hearing us -- please keep our South Bay Community of Interest whole for Congress -- please put everything south of the 105 and west of the 110 -- Option 1.2 -- in the same district. Our South Bay community deserves to be represented by someone we choose -- not someone else."

**Subject:** No Gerrymandering

**From:** Sharon Lee Kander Cook <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:25 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

**CC:** Gary Aven <[REDACTED]>

Members of the Commission,

**Thank you for hearing us -- please keep our South Bay Community of Interest whole for Congress -- please put everything south of the 105 and west of the 110 -- Option 1.2 -- in the same district. Our South Bay community deserves to be represented by someone we choose -- not someone else.**

Sincerely,  
Sharon Cook

*Sharon L. Cook, PH.D.*

*Home* [REDACTED]

*Cell* [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Please Choose Option 1.2

**From:** Tracy and Mark <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:29 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Hello,

"Thank you for hearing us -- please keep our South Bay Community of Interest whole for Congress -- please put everything south of the 105 and west of the 110 -- Option 1.2 -- in the same district. Our South Bay community deserves to be represented by someone we choose -- not someone else."

**Best Regards,**

**Mark and Tracy Hopkins**

**Hermosa Beach**

**Subject:** Protect South LA - Don't Divide my Community

**From:** Susan Grace <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:09 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

I am very opposed to any plans to redistrict that would diminish voting rights for African Americans. Please consider this as extremely important as you make these redistricting decisions. Thank you.  
Susan Grace

**Subject:** Protect South LA - Don't Divide my Community

**From:** Shannon Paaske <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:58 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

I am a voter and LAUSD teacher who is urging you to reconsider the redistricting of Districts 33, 35 and 37. African American political representation will be severely undermined if the current proposal goes through. As a public school teacher, I convey the message to my students about the importance of participation in the political process. I want them to be able to trust that our elected representatives speak for them. Please do not take away their voices.

Sincerely,

Shannon Paaske

**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Lee <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:47 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Lee <[REDACTED]>

Subject: legislated discrimination continues

Message Body:

Section 2 & 5 are discriminatory. They should never have been allowed. Drawing any lines with race as a determining factor is entirely discriminatory. We will never get away from the type of gerrymandering we have seen unless we only consider population numbers, counties, and cities. We should use natural boundaries (rivers, roads, etc) as much as possible and the districts should have the shortest perimeters possible.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Dan Nebel <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:18 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Dan Nebel <[REDACTED]>

Subject: El Segundo

Message Body:

As a resident of El Segundo, I would like to see El Segundo be included in a district that includes our fellow beach cities: Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, and Redondo Beach.

Thanks

Dan Nebel

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Maxine Cleghorn <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:24 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Maxine Cleghorn <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Assembly District Lines for Sunland-Tujunga

Message Body:

Dear Commissioners - Please adjust the latest map to include Sunland Tujunga with La Crescenta, La Canada, Glendale, Burbank, La Tuna Canyon, Shadow Hills. We are rural communities and need to be kept together because of our common interest and geography. We never go west for any purpose. We always go east. We share community improvement issues, public safety issues, education and shopping.

Thank you,

Maxine Cleghorn

[REDACTED]  
La Crescenta, CA 91214

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 4 - Los Angeles

**From:** Tamara and Marty Tabak <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:45 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Tamara and Marty Tabak <[REDACTED]>

Subject: redistricting Brentwood CA 90049

Message Body:

Brentwood is a unified community, that acts to the betterment of its whole population. We strive to help the VA which is a part of us, and to have us divided and apart from the VA(Vet. Admin) in different districts, is detrimental to the best interests of us all. Gerrymandering our community is very hurtful and purposeless and displays pointless disorganization.

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**Subject:** Re-districting for Wiseburn

**From:** Brenda Garza <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:21 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

As part of the Wiseburn community we consider ourselves part of the southbay! Our neighborhood malls are southbay galleria, Manhattan Village and neighborhood shops. Our grocery stores, libraries, parks and schools are all in this district. We'd like to continue our patronage in the southbay as we consider ourselves inhabitants of the southbay. Please keep Wiseburn and del aire part of the southbay!

Thanks soo much!

Brenda Garza

**Subject:** Redistricting in the Crescenta Valley

**From:** "Marcelle Keehne" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:35 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

Please consider including the Crescenta Valley communities of La Crescenta, Glendale,, Sunland-Tujunga, Shadow Hills and La Tuna Canyon in the same districts, i.e. Congress, State Senate & Assembly. I ask this because for too long our communities have been separated. I am speculating this is based on the fact that Sunland-Tujunga, La Tuna Canyon and Shadow Hills are City of Los Angeles; the other communities are City of Glendale,

On paper it might seem logical to include City of L.A. communities together. I'm guessing that's why in the first draft map the LA City neighborhoods are included in the San Fernando Valley district. The geography of our location cuts us off from most of the San Fernando Valley. That same geography makes us fit much better within the Crescenta Valley, its most western end.

Please let us be represented by the same leaders so that we can combine our voices together when we have common interests. This is really important to us. Thank you for listening.

Marcelle Keehne

My daughter, son-in-law and granddaughters live in the foothills as well. It is a beautiful area and we all really enjoy it.

**Subject:** Redistricting of Hawthorne

**From:** susanb <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:17 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

To Whom This May Concern,

I have sent an email before of how I believe Hawthorne should remain in the South Bay district. We are Hawthorne the city of good neighbors. We are South Bay and want to remain in this district. Doctors, Dentist, Family and friends we are work together in this district.

Regards,

Susan Banner

[REDACTED]  
Hawthorne, CA 9-0250

**Subject:** Redistricting

**From:** Art and Ana <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:28 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

Hello

We are residents of Wisebur. We recently purchased our home to be residents of Wiseburn. We strongly oppose the proposed redistricting. This will decrease our property value.

If we wanted to be part of Los Angeles and not the South Bay, we would have purchased a home in south central for half or less than we purchased our home. That is not the case

**Subject:** Uniting Pico-Robertson/Beverlywood with Fairfax/La-Brea/Beverly

**From:** Shaul Seidler-Feller <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:44 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern:

As an Orthodox Jewish resident of Los Angeles, and more specifically of the Westwood neighborhood, I feel that it is only fitting for the Pico-Roberston/Beverlywood neighborhoods to be integrated into the same Congressional district as the Fairfax/Beverly-La Brea/Hancock Park neighborhoods. These two "sides of town" share many of the same characteristics - ethnically, culturally, and religiously - and as such it would only make sense for the State to consider them as one. Though they are separated geographically, there is no doubt that these communities are connected in spirit and share many of the same interests and needs. I myself attended Jewish schools in both of those areas and grew up to appreciate them as two essential parts of the larger LA Jewish community.

As you make your decisions, then, regarding re-drawing the boundaries of the State's Congressional districts, I urge you to consider uniting these two areas under one district so that each of their needs can be met better together.

With many thanks for your attention to and consideration of this matter,

Best,

Shaul Seidler-Feller

**Subject:** Voter District LAMWS

**From:** "David Zarmi" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 11:06 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

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**Subject:** Voter District

**From:** "David Zarmi" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:45 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

[REDACTED], Los Angeles, California, and am writing in to let you know that my family (wife and son) are requesting that our district be joined with the heavily Jewish areas north of Pico. All of Beverlywood, including the area bordered by Cattaraugus on the South, Beverwil and Roxbury on the West, Robertson and La Cienega on the East and Pico on the North is heavily Jewish (Orthodox and traditional) and of the same unrepresented minority demographic. Please consider the demographic make-up of this community when someone comes up with the idea of putting it in the same voting district as Culver City and Baldwin Hills, with virtually no Jews whatsoever, Orthodox or not. This will split the Jewish (Orthodox and traditional) vote and make sure that this unrepresented minority does not have a voice in California.

Instead, this area should be combined with the Fairfax-Hancock Park district LAMWS. We rotate weekends between the two areas, shop for kosher food in both locations, pray in both areas, etc. This will not affect any other minority group adversely. The only other community I can think of in the area suggested might be the Coptic and Sikh communities around Robertson, but that can be resolved by using borders of Cattaraugus to the South and La Cienega to the East.

A larger block that would encompass the predominantly Orthodox and Traditional Jewish areas would look as follows: Beverwil/Roxbury to the East, Cattaraugus, the 10 Interstate and Venice to the South, Hudson and June to the East, and Melrose and Santa Monica to the North. If that area is too large, I would be happy to help you draw an area encompassing a smaller population while still keeping the vast majority of Orthodox/Traditional Jews. Please feel free to contact me by e-mail or telephone.

I appreciate the work you are doing on our (Californians) behalf. We all do.

Thank you,

David Zarmi

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David Zarmi  
[REDACTED]

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**Subject:** WESTCHESTER HAS NO COI WITH INGLEWOOD

**From:** Christine Vinqvist <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 10:01 PM

**To:** "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

I still can't believe that the testimony of the people of Westchester and Playa del Rey is being ignored. WE HAVE NO COI WITH INGLEWOOD!!! The fact that Inglewood keeps claiming the airport is an atrocity. Westchester is the home of LAX. It is bordered on the north by Westchester and the south by El Segundo. Both areas deal with the north-south traffic on Sepulveda to the airport. What about that COI???? It is these two neighborhoods that have to deal with the airport the most. Westchester has constantly fended off attacks from the airport wanting to expand into our neighborhood and buy our homes and raze them for empty space. Just ask the residents of Westchester and Playa del Rey home many homes have been bought and destroyed by LAX. Just ask them how we have fought even further expansion into our neighborhood. You will hear a very different story than the one you have been told and the one you have been buying into. Aircraft may fly over Inglewood but that does not give them the great claim to the airport that they seem to purport and apparently some Commissioners seem to have bought into. If you accept the argument that many people who live in Inglewood work at the airport you have completely misinterpreted how representation works. Districts are about where you live not where you work! If you use this logic then I should be included in El Segundo because while I live in Westchester I work in El Segundo. You are completely devastating our community for another decade by silencing our voice for another 10 years. We have already suffered for the last 20 years with representation that does not reflect our neighborhood. We are not just a chunk of population that you can add on to other areas to make your population numbers. We are people who have a voice who are tired of having it silenced for the sake of special interests. Please do not perpetuate this travesty. Please place Westchester and Playa del Rey in with El Segundo and the Beach Cities to the south. We are more of a COI than you care to believe.

Christine Vinqvist

**Subject:** Westchester/Playa del Rey

**From:** Scott Carni <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 8:36 PM

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

STOP

HOW CAN YOU DESTROY BEACH CITIES? WESTCHESTERPLAYADEL REY IS ONE COMMUNITY AND YOU ARE SLICING US IN TWO

STOP

WE HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH INGLEWOOD

**Thank you,**

**Scott Carni**

[REDACTED] **Direct**

**Subject:** you are killing me

**From:** Cyndi Hench <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** 7/24/2011 9:02 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

It is clear that the commissioners have no idea what Westchester Playa is and are not respecting our community at all. This scenario separates our community and puts us in a district that is NOT REPRESENTATIVE OF THIS COMMUNITY.

Cyndi Hench

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Tue, Jul 26, 2011 at 9:13 AM

Region 4 - Los Angeles  
July 25

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:**South Bay Congressional Lines - No More Gerrymandering!

**Date:**Mon, 25 Jul 2011 00:53:39 -0700

**From:** [REDACTED]

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Commission,

It has come to my attention that your commission is considering drawing unfair and partisan lines for California's CD 36. Please note that the voters are watching you carefully. We demand that you keep the South Bay together. Furthermore, we insist that you exclude communities that are not considered to be in the South Bay.

Everyone knows that the South Bay is bordered by the 105 and 110 freeways. (Everything south of the 105 and west of the 110.) I live in San Pedro. I shop in El Segundo and Torrance and everywhere in between. I go to church in Torrance and Hermosa Beach. I attend meetings on the Hill in Palos Verdes. I go to appointments in Manhattan Beach and Torrance. This is my community. In fact, it is a well known joke that people in the South Bay never leave their "bubble" once they move here. It is true! I never leave this area. That is why it is equally offensive that you would dare to consider Santa Monica and Venice a part of MY community. They are clearly known as the "Westside" and I never go there. Even when I lived in Silverlake and Los Feliz, I hated to have to go to the dreaded "Westside", as in West L.A., Santa Monica and Venice. They are never considered by anyone to be a part of the South Bay. Never. Please do not claim ignorance about this.

Once again, I urge you to keep the South Bay together and ONLY the South Bay. **THE SOUTH BAY IS EVERYTHING SOUTH OF THE 105 AND WEST OF THE 110. NOTHING MORE. NOTHING LESS.**

Thank you in advance for doing the right and ethical thing. I urge you to remember why this commission exists in the first place and I ask that you please do not gerrymander us again.

Respectfully,

[REDACTED]  
San Pedro, CA

**Subject:** (no subject)

**From:** [REDACTED]

**Date:** 7/24/2011 5:29 PM

**To:** [REDACTED]

***Dear Sir or Madam,***

***I have lived in the Pico-Robertson area for quite a while.***

The Fairfax/Hancock Park neighborhood and Pico-Robertson/Beverlywood neighborhood constitute a single, integrated community-of-interest (COI) with many shared institutions. The Fairfax/Hancock Park and Pico-Robertson/Beverlywood should all be in the "LAMWS" district. I am constantly running from the Pico-Robertson neighborhood to the Fairfax/Hancock neighborhood for classes and to see friends.

I don't believe that uniting our community in a single district will weaken the representation of any other minority group or community of interest.

Thank you for putting some of Pico-Robertson into the "LAMWS" district, but Pico-Robertson/Beverlywood should not be divided in half. All of Pico-Robertson/Beverlywood should be in the "LAMWS" district, along with Beverly-Fairfax, Hancock Park and Beverly Hills.

I know your job is not an easy job and we appreciate everything you can do for our undivided community.

Sincerely,

Susan Benyowitz