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To All The Commissioners

I attended you January 12, 2011 meeting in Sacramento. I laid out for the Commission a reasonable way to draw the districts with the least amount of political BS and also using existing boundary lines that exist now. And the reason that I believe that my solution is the right one is because All of the districts use City, County, and Zip Codes to determine who is in their district. And I worked as an enumerator for the US Census 2010 and all of our counts were broken down to County, City, US Zip Code. So each entity has an exact population. Now most people know where they live and this is broken down by County, City, and Zip Code. Each County has an Election Commissioner for a total of 58 and they all report to the Secretary of State of California. Now I realize that each county is divided into precincts for voting, but we the people don't know that by heart. We the people know our County, City, and Zip Code. That is why I think these boundaries should be used so we the people know what Congressional, Senate, and Assembly District we live in.

The County and City are the smallest political units within the State. They have Boards of Supervisors, City Councils, Mayors, and Managers and the Representatives in Sacramento & Washington should be accountable to these individuals and the constituents within them. How can Representatives be accountable to local politicians if there district covers parts of 5 counties?

Now according to the Census, California will have 53 Congressional Districts made up of about 705,000 and Assmby Districts of 470,000 and Senate Districts of 940,000 people. And the Commission should look no further at the numbers. It doesn't matter what race, color, creed, age, religion or any other superfluous title the government gives us. Each district by law should be the same or close to it. I don't know, but 5% higher or lower would probably be acceptable. That is for you to calculate. Only 8 of the 58 Counties have populations greater than 705,000 and 12 have population greater than 470,000. And there are only 4 Cities with populations greater than 705,000 and 7 with populations greater than 470,000 people. So the Commission will be combining more Counties and Cities together in order to create the Districts. So please divide the State into 80 Assembly Districts First and then just combined 2 Assembly Districts to make one Senate District. Now when you get to the 53 Congressional Districts try to incorporate as much as you can, but that is up to you to make that as well as you can.

In closing the Commissioners need to remember there job is not to reinvent the wheel, Your job is to make the wheel roll smoothly into the 21st Century. So remember that we the people will have to live with what you do for at least 10 years and don't repeat that of the last commission to redistrict California. We want it to be fair and equitable.

Thank you for your service and may God Bless this Commission.

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