

March 17, 2011

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing in support of Karin MacDonald as the technical redistricting consultant for the California Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Ten years ago the San Diego Redistricting Commission hired Karin MacDonald as their consultant. She demonstrated her knowledge not only with the data, but with her sincere approach for fairness. I am a resident of Southeastern San Diego, which is a racial melting pot and in the 4th San Diego City Council District.

The Voter Rights Act combined with the 2000 Census data needed to be understood and Ms. MacDonald encouraged public participation, particularly in my African American community. There were many communities of interest and she kept the process open and transparent.

Please consider Karin MacDonald as your Redistricting Consultant for 2011.

Sincerely,

Ardelia "DeDe" McClure

