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RE: Support of Karin Mac Donald as Technical Consultant

Dear Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission:

I am writing to support the hiring of Karin Mac Donald as Technical Consultant to the Citizens Redistricting Commission. The citizens of California would be well served by her expertise and her approach to the process.

As a member of a community of interest, I monitored the City of San Diego redistricting process in 2001 when Ms. Mac Donald served as a consultant to the City of San Diego Redistricting Commission. I was impressed by her efforts to identify and protect communities of interest and her solicitation of public participation to achieve this. The process seemed very transparent and fair.

It would give me additional confidence in the State of California's redistricting process to know that Ms. Mac Donald is serving as the Citizens Redistricting Commission's Technical Consultant.

Thank you for your consideration.

Stephen Whitburn