



TO PRESERVE AND PROMOTE NAPA VALLEY'S WORLD-CLASS VINEYARDS

Commissioner Jeanne Raya
Citizens Redistricting Commission
1130 K Street Suite 101
Sacramento, Ca 95814

March 31, 2011

Dear Commissioner Jeanne Raya,

We write you on behalf of the over 550 members of the Napa Valley Grapegrowers, a non-profit organization representing the interests of vineyard landowners and associated businesses in Napa County, to provide comment on the possible realignment of California congressional districts.

We recognize the shared interests of Napa, Sonoma, Lake, Mendocino, and Yolo counties with respect to our significant wine, tourism and agricultural industries and appreciate the consistently excellent representation of such interests at the congressional level. On account of our thriving wine, agricultural, recreation, and tourism industries - not to mention our shared watersheds - we strongly urge the California Citizens Redistricting Commission to keep all of these counties in one U.S. Congressional District in order for these interests to best be represented.

We believe that the current congressional boundaries are geographically, culturally, and economically the most logical, and result in the most efficient and effective representation.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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David Beckstoffer, President

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Jim Verhey, Chair, Industry Issues Committee