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Citizens Redistricting Commission:

I am writing to voice my views on redistricting concerning the 15th Senate District. I have been a resident of Santa Cruz County since 1974, a property owner here since 1975, and a consistent voter in this District. It is my understanding that, in conjunction with redistricting, your Commission is considering whether Santa Cruz County should remain in the same District to which it is presently assigned, or whether changes should be made.

Based on my experiences & observations here in Santa Cruz County since 1974, including at the policy level, I firmly believe that Santa Cruz County shares a community of interest with Monterey, Santa Clara, San Benito and San Mateo Counties. However, Santa Cruz County clearly does <u>not</u> share a community of interest with San Luis Obispo County. It would be a disservice to the residents of Santa Cruz County for your Commission to continue to "combine" our county with San Luis Obispo County for purposes of establishing District lines. I respectfully request that you separate Santa Cruz County from San Luis Obispo County for these purposes.

Thank you for considering these views.

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