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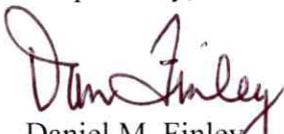
Dear Commissioners:

The Autry National Center of the American West is located at the northeast corner of Griffith Park in the city of Los Angeles. Additionally, we own a collections storage facility two miles from our museum campus in the city of Burbank. I would like to urge you to keep Griffith Park and the communities that touch it together as you consider the important work of redrawing legislative districts.

Currently, the park and the very similar neighborhoods that abut it, are represented by three state assemblymembers, two state senators, and four members of the U.S. House of Representatives. We would much prefer to see this area represented by one state assembly district and one state senate district, and fewer if not one U.S. congressional district. We believe this would provide for a more cohesive voice on issues that span the area, as well as greater clarity and accountability in representation.

Thank you very much for consideration these comments.

Respectfully,


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