

From: Taiwan Rogers [REDACTED]  
Subject: Keep Long Beach Together

Message Body:  
Dear Commissioners:

I am a lifelong resident of Long Beach. Our city has nearly a half million residents and it should not be divided up into smaller pieces and grouped with smaller neighboring cities to form districts. We are the second largest city in Los Angeles County. We are the seventh largest city in the state. Our port is one of the busiest ports in the entire world. This city has unique issues compared to its neighbors. We should have our own Assembly District. Currently, our neighborhoods are divided up and grouped with smaller cities with different concerns.

For example, I live in the Bixby Area of Long Beach. This community includes three smaller sub communities. Those communities are California Heights, Bixby Knolls, and Los Cerritos. We are all one community. We shop at the same stores along Atlantic Avenue and Long Beach Boulevard. We commune together in local coffee shops. Our children go to some of the same schools. However, California Heights is in the 54th Assembly District and is grouped with the Palos Verdes Peninsula nearly 20 miles away. The Bixby Knolls and Los Cerritos communities are in the 55th District and are grouped with the city of Carson. This needs to be changed. Please consider making Long Beach its own district.

I applaud you all for your time and effort. I know your job is not easy.

Thank you,

Taiwan Rogers

Long Beach resident.

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