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To the Commission:

I understand all the competing forces converging on your commission wanting you to conform to each groups narrow view of how district lines should be drawn. I am always downcast at the efforts of ethnic interest groups advocating their own racial or demographic interest instead of ensuring that every voter is equally represented.

The entrenched powers in Sacto want to ensure a veto proof legislature and continue the gerrymandering that has in many cases destroyed the rational economic and social bases for intelligent redistricting and contributed to voter apathy at best and disgust at worst.

I am requesting that you disregard these pressures and focus on the real reasons districts were created in the

first place--to provide voters of similar economic, social and political aims to elect a representative that serves their local objectives.

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