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Message Body:

To: The Independent California Citizens Redistricting Commission

Dear Commissioners:

My name is Joe Dovinh, I am a resident of Garden Grove, a former candidate for Assembly District 68, and presently Planning Commissioner for the City of Garden Grove. I hope to speak for the wonderful people of our communities who agree with me about keeping our communities united and preventing our neighborhoods from fragmenting due to redistricting. As most of you here can bear witness to, Orange County, particularly the cities of Westminster and Garden Grove and parts of Santa Ana and Fountain Valley are home to the largest Vietnamese population outside of Vietnam. This area known as "Little Saigon" is a thriving economic zone that spans all four cities, and forms a continuous neighborhood wherein the people of our community reside in peace and prosperity. Any geopolitical division of this area would severely disrupt the harmony, balance and continuity of our community and cause irreversible damage to Little Saigon as a power engine for economic growth and a speci!

al place that fosters cultural diversity, helping make Orange County a great place to live and to do business in. We have all worked so very hard over many decades to build up our neighborhoods and communities and we simply cannot afford to have it all torn down overnight because of politics. The effects upon our community of redistricting along geopolitical lines that subdivide Little Saigon, particularly, fragmenting Westminster from Garden Grove, will undo the successes that we have all made great efforts to achieve. We plead with you to maintain the unity, balance and harmony of our community by NOT arbitrarily and unfairly gerrymandering our district. These important issues are in your hands, please be considerate and decide wisely.

Thank you, Joe Dovinh

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