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Subject: Fair Distric Boundaries for S. Orange County

Message Body:

I am a resident of San Clemente, in south Orange County, CA. We are represented by a U.S. Congressman from Riverside County and a CA State Senator from San Diego County. We have no representation by our two U.S. Senators who both reside in San Francisco, CA. That leaves only one representative who actually knows about, and is concerned about south Orange County - our State Assemblywoman.

Geographically, San Clemente is adjacent to the cities of Dana Point and San Juan Capistrano. These three cities are by all definitions a Community of Interest. We have similar living stanards, work opportunities and shared media.

We never hear about our out-of-County representatives, unless we search them out. Our Orange County newspaper does not have much, if anything, to say about them either. I don't even know the name of the San Diego State Senator assigned to us, although I did go to his website once.

Riverside County is not adjacent to us, we are separated by a mountain range - the Santa Ana Mountains - and the Cleveland National Forest. We are separated from the cities in San Diego by the thousands of acres of Camp Pendelton which begins at our southern border. How does this possibly make any sense? We have nothing in common with Riverside or with Oceanside. Nothing. Our issues are not theirs, and visa versa.

We are isolated from all but one representative. This is not fair, not sensible, and certainly not conducive to getting involved with the political process.

Surely, these three cities can be combined with other South Orange County cities to make the numbers work in forming a district.

Thank you for your attention,

Peni Woehrman

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