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Message Body:

Hi,

I live in the City of Agoura Hills in western Los Angeles County. When considering who to connect us with when drawing districts, please go east along the 101 Freeway into the West San Fernando Valley. The residents of the communities along this stretch of freeway and throughout the West Valley share much more in common with us than do those in Beverly Hills. People from our region go to the West Valley to shop, work and socialize.

So a potential congressional district could be the four cities in western Los Angeles County (Agoura Hills, Calabasas, Hidden Hills and Westlake Village) and the section of Los Angeles north of Mulholland Drive and west of the 405 Freeway.

I also request that you do not connect our communities with the West Los Angeles communities of Brentwood, Bel Air, and Westwood, nor with the incorporated cities in that area such as Beverly Hills or West Hollywood. Our concerns would be dwarfed by their influence and we would most likely be demoted to an afterthought by whoever is elected to serve the district.

The Santa Monica Mountains are a natural barrier between us and those on the other side of them. Please do not make the mistake of connecting us with communities "over the hill" as we call it, thus forcing us to make a difficult commute through the Sepulveda Pass, the most congested stretch of freeway in the Los Angeles area, in order to reach our representative.

Do not be confused by the word "Hills". Agoura Hills is near Woodland Hills and West Hills, and none of them are near Beverly Hills. Please keep those of us along the 101 Corridor with our neighbors in the West San Fernando Valley. Thank you.

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