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Message Body:
Citizens Redistricting Commission:

When redrawing the lines, take into consideration to keep Madera County separate from the City of Madera in the west to the mountains in the northwest. I have lived in Madera Ranchos, Madera County, for over 30 years. This area is 6 miles off of Highway 41. I have worked in north Fresno for most of my career. Because of my convenient location near Highway 41, I am not only close to my work, but also to major shopping centers in Fresno along Blackstone Avenue, and to recreation and leisure time activity in the Madera foothills and mountains. While I do some shopping in the city of Madera my major ties are in Fresno. My main thoroughfare for all of this is Highway 41. It connects our County and allows us to receive economic benefits from recreation and tourism in the mountains and help maintain our way of life in the Valley. We are very fortunate to have Yosemite National Park in our county and I would hate to see us split away. Keep our strong ties to the mountain areas; add the foothill and mountain areas of neighboring counties like Fresno, Tulare, Mariposa and Tuolumne. Keep Madera County and our rural way of life in its' entirety.

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