
Subject: I am against redistricting changes

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Conversation: I am against redistricting changes

Neither Marin nor Sonoma should be included as part of San Francisco. SF is an urban environment with a largely adult population, losing families and children, with an altogether different character and different economic and political interests than Marin and Sonoma.

Once you get over the Bridge, Marin and Sonoma have the following in common:

--economic interests (there is a corridor of business and economic interests along 101);

--both are largely family oriented communities in largely suburban settings but also have significant rural/agricultural components.

--lifestyles: both not only focus on families and good schools, but fine dining, viniculture, tourism, agriculture and the outdoors. Both Marin and Sonoma have a considerable agricultural presence and attractive coastal and mountainous topographies.

--both offer outdoor recreational opportunities that generate traffic, commerce and other interests that are shared between the two counties. People are attracted to both counties from all over the state, country and world to participate in these wonderful outdoor recreational activities. Thousands in both counties support their families with businesses that cater to these outdoor activities.

To emphasize, I do not want to be lumped in with the crazy voters of San Francisco who are mostly renters and are not property owners. They have no skin in the game and vote for tax increases because they do not have to pay them!

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