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To whom it may concern:

The passage of Proposition 20 during the 2010 election has provided an historic opportunity to update voter districts in California to best represent the population as it exists today free of special interest political gerrymandering. As voting citizens residing in Marin our interests are here, including the local business community, school districts, housing, roads, utilities and all the other community factors such as recreation that directly affect our family. We are a suburban community.

Prior to this our district included parts of San Francisco, which has very little in common with regard to these factors. Not only are we separated by the physical barrier of the bay, but have entirely different economic and cultural environments, and are supplied by a separate watershed. It's our understanding that a properly redrawn district will extend northward including Sonoma County with which we share lifestyle issues as well as community planning and environmental concerns, most notably agriculture and the unique corridor of commercial activities that joins us together. Therefore it is vital from both an economic and legal perspective to have our representation fairly reflect the makeup of population here without the competing forces and interests with opposing goals and priorities.

We therefore request that the new district lines be fairly drawn from the bay northward and include contiguous areas with direct access to each other.

Sincerely:

Charles Kiene

Kathleen Doyle