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Subject: San Mateo County

Message Body:

I was the first speaker at the San Jose hearing, but 2 minutes went so fast I never finished. Here's what I wanted to say:

San Mateo County has always been divided into 2 separate districts, congressional, senate and assembly. Northern San Mateo County has much more in common with San Francisco than with its brethren in the south. The SF International Airport is located in northern San Mateo County and the climate and socio-economic landscape mostly resembles San Francisco. Southern San Mateo County, from Belmont to the southern border is much more similar to Southern Santa Clara County. This area is really the heart of Silicon Valley and needs to be represented, especially at the federal level, by one person. The climate and socio-economic landscape in the southern half of our county is extremely similar to our neighbors in Palo Alto, Mountain View and Santa Clara.

I live in Foster City and we are the one community that could fit into either district.

I have lived in this county for over 45 years, own a business and am active in the community. These lines have always worked well for our county and I hope you will maintain these boundaries.

Thank you.

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