Subject: Redistricting in Vallejo and Solano County

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To All:

Vallejo and Solano County are poster children for the need to redistrict. Our Congressional District 7 goes south to Richmond and our state senate district extends north to Santa Rosa. My understanding is that Congressional District 10 is literally Gerrymandered to the point of being based on the party affiliation of each individual residence on city streets in Vacaville and Fairfield . Only two households in Benicia are included in state Assembly District 7 .

In my opinion Solano County should be in one Congressional district and that district should only include land north of the Sacramento River.

Our county lines should be used as the borders for state senators and assembly. In that way county supervisors and local city governments may more effectively communicate their needs to state and federal government..

Vallejo is viewed by many as the Nazareth of CA being neither north or south bay and a community whose best times are in its past. Please do not ostracize us into the south bay with communities like Richmond and Martinez that share nothing in common with our future growth. Please do not categorize us into wine county for we are not or never will be part of wine country. Please redistrict us to the one area and culture to which we share a common history that being a city in Solano County.

Thanks for your consideration of my comments above.

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