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Citizens Redistricting Commission
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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to urge the State Redistricting Commission to maintain unified elected representation for Sonoma and Marin Counties north of the Golden Gate Bridge.

The same Assembly, State Senate and Congressional members currently represent the City of Petaluma and our neighbors to south in Marin County. Marin and Sonoma Counties are a community of interest that share local food systems, transportation along the Highway 101, bus systems, the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District and the future SMART train.

Our small urban cities focus housing in urban settings while maintaining precious open space and rural, agricultural lands to draw visitors from all over the world to wine country. Our economies are based on shared values of growing local food and preserving majestic ecosystems inland and along the coast. Our populations travel between counties for work and recreation. Keeping our district intact maintains the integrity of fair representation.

As has been stated by our neighbors to the south in Marin, to maintain these existing communities of interests, it is essential that we have unified elected representation for the counties north of the Golden Gate Bridge by establishing the southern boundary for North Bay communities' state and federal legislative districts at the Golden Gate Bridge.

Thank you for your consideration of maintaining the Counties of Sonoma and Marin wholly with one congressional, mostly one state assembly, and state senate district, and to continue unified representation for North Bay counties by establishing the Golden Gate Bridge as the southern district boundary.

Sincerely,
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Sonoma County

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Haz bien y no mires a quién -Spanish Proverb
(Do good and don't look at whom)