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Citizens Redistricting Commission
1130 K Street
Suite 101
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: PUBLIC OPINION REGARDING SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY REDISTRICTING

Dear Redistricting Commissioners:

I am a resident of Tracy. I respectfully request when dividing San Joaquin County into assembly districts that you keep in mind our needs as Tracy residents. It is apparent with a population in excess of 700,000 San Joaquin County will need to be divided into at a minimum of two Assembly Districts. It is important that you review the differences within the County when you consider on where to draw district lines within San Joaquin.

South County agriculture consists of crops such as almonds and vegetables that are a consumer staple. North County consists of open land around areas such as Lodi. We in South County are connected with Stockton via Interstate 5 and Highway 99; this is a major freeway access between the two cities. Interstate 5 and Highway 99 are the main freeways used by Tracy residents when traveling to Stockton, Lodi and other northern areas. Residents in the Northern County are identified and linked with the Sacramento area. In addition roads traveled in the Northern County are linked with the traffic from the Sierras, which are seldom used by Tracy residents.

Our economic, transportation and geographic locations are closely related to Stockton and should remain in the same assembly district. Please review and consider previous districting areas that link Tracy and Stockton together in your decision plans when dividing San Joaquin County. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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