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June 16, 2011

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed redistricting maps that impact my City of Monrovia.

My name is Lara Larramendi and I am the former directly elected Mayor of Monrovia. I was the Mayor in 2001 when Monrovia was split in half by the Assembly plan. Our City, which has worked very hard to keep our citizens working together, found this split very disturbing and not in keeping with the best interests of our community. Therefore, I was very concerned when your early Assembly District "visualization" showed Monrovia being similarly split. Thank you for correcting this in your draft map and keeping the city whole.

However, unlike your early visualizations, your draft Assembly map has split Monrovia from Pasadena with which we share important ties. For example, the Monrovia Healthy Center has served Pasadena for many years. The Pasadena Police Department has provided air support services for the Monrovia Police Department for over a decade. Monrovia houses its prisoners in the Pasadena City Jail. Our job training program, the Foothill Workforce Investment Board, has for over two decades been part of a Joint Powers Authority with Pasadena. The Pasadena Star-News includes Monrovia as part of its local coverage.

Further, Pasadena, Monrovia, Altadena and Duarte are home to the African-American community in the Upper San Gabriel Valley. By separating Pasadena from these other communities you have in effect divided and disenfranchised the African-American community.

Thus I would recommend the Commission create a hybrid of your June 2nd "visualization" and your June 10th draft map. Like your June 2nd map please begin the district with Pasadena and Altadena and run it east along Interstate 210. The Assembly District should minimally include Pasadena,

Altadena, Monrovia, Bradbury and Duarte. Ideally it would stop at the county border but certainly should not extend beyond Upland.

I believe the Commission changed the district in response to public testimony to put Pasadena with Glendale and Burbank because of their common interest in the airport. However, the airport is regulated federally and therefore any need to keep those cities together should only apply to Congress. Therefore, for State Assembly I believe the prior map was preferable.

The June 10th map keeps cities whole in the district. Do not split cities along Interstate 210 even if that means the district may be connected by the Angeles National Forest at certain points. Finally, I hope you will make similar changes to the Congressional district which currently splits six cities including Monrovia.

I know you have difficult work ahead and I hope that you can use some of the good ideas from your earlier maps to make your next draft even better.

Thank you for your time and consideration to my comments.

Sincerely,

Lara Larramendi

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while not identical to the ones submitted by our organization, seem to reflect, as did *people*
ours, the wisdom of the courts who drew the current lines under which we operate.

California, like the rest of America, is "a melting pot," of diverse immigrants from all over the world. Your first draft reflects this rich diversity. While most of your work is acceptable to us, i.e., assembly, senate, and board of equalization, there are still a few areas of concern we bring to your attention:

1. In many urban centers African Americans, Latinos, Asians and Whites all live in the same neighborhoods. This means that we work together, socialize together, attend school together, and compete with each other to create exciting, diverse and thriving communities. In many places, the Commission district maps keep these communities together as opposed to separating and segregating them into racially polarized enclaves. However, in at least two areas important to the African American community you departed from multi-culture to almost bi-culture. In LAVSQ (Assembly Member Davis) the Asian community ((47% Black, Latino 42% Asian 3%)) could have been strengthened with the addition of Korea Town. The same applies to IGWSG (Congress Woman Waters) where you have essentially created a bi-cultural instead of a multi-cultural district. ((53% Latino, Black 40%, 1% Asian)). You could have moved that district to the west to Westchester, or to the Southwest to include Hawthorne, Gardenia, or Lawndale. We request that you reconsider this mix because balanced representation comes when diverse groups are compelled to develop working relationships with each other to elect their representatives.
2. We also have concern that removing the airport from IGWSG Congressional District you have taken the economic viability away and thus put the candidate at a disadvantage as far as having a weak or no economic base. We believe that

economic diversity is also necessary to ensure elected officials have a level playing field. Thus, you must spread the economic wealth so that no elected official has a completely economically poor district.

3. We also note that the ports have been removed from predominately-Black districts and in propose you split the San Pedro Complex to ensure that one member not have too much power. However, historically, it has been one complex in one district. We note that you did not include any of the ports in a potential African American district. This raises concerns about your motives and again locks out much of the economic viability of that district.
4. I must confess that even I am confused over what you did in district LBPRT. Why were cities that historically make up that community of interest that share in education establishments as well as the ports and beaches split? Carson, Long Beach and Compton have been together. The Asian communities share cultural interest as well as oil refineries and pipelines. Historically Long Beach by itself has never elected a minority. Therefore, this proposed configuration will dilute minority electoral strength.

In the final analysis, the NAACP is pleased with the Commission's first draft maps. We think the Senate, Assembly and Board of Equalization are fine. You met the Voting Rights Act criteria as well as the guidelines of the initiative and these districts show a strong trend toward balance.

While we recognize that there are areas, mostly congress, that need work, we believe that through the continuation of an open and transparent process, you will achieve the goals expected by the voters. And because of your work we may all once again have

confidence that this most important political task that sets forth how California will be governed over the next decade is fair and above board.

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California Citizens Redistricting Commission

Comments and Concerns about Congressional Redistricting

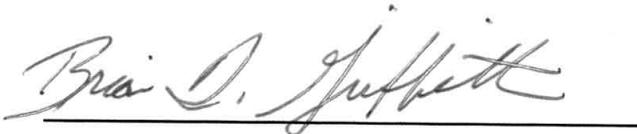
I have lived in Harbor City for over 39 years and have been represented in congress by the South Bay congressional member. When I printed the map for this new district I found that a portion of the Harbor City area had been deleted from the South Bay District. Your commission and staff apparently missed the mandate of the people not to segment viable communities with your redistricting. I urge you to include all of the Harbor City postal zone, i.e. 90710, in the new south bay district. This is an integral community. Our children go to Harbor City Schools, our doctors are in Harbor City, we shop in Harbor City. Please do not segment our community into different congressional districts!!

When I went to your web site and entered my zip code to find out which new congressional district I was in, I was informed that we were in the South Bay Congressional district. The small scale map does support this statement. Either there is an error on the map or the input to zip code data base is in error. Please inform me which item is correct so we in the neighborhood know how to proceed.

I have attached a copy of the Harbor City Data Base that I downloaded from a Wahoo site, together with a small scale map of the 90710 zip code from a Thomas Guide.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectively submitted,



Brian D. Griffith

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HARBOR CITY, CA 90710

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State:	CA
Counties:	LOS ANGELES, CA
Multi County:	No
Area Code:	310 / 323
City Type:	P [Post Office]
Classification:	[Non-Unique]
Latitude:	33.798014
Longitude:	-118.296692
Elevation:	267
County FIPS:	037
State FIPS:	06
Time Zone:	Pacific (GMT -08:00)
Day Light Savings:	Y
Growth Rank:	0
Growth %:	0
Region:	West
Division:	Pacific
City Alias(es):	Harbor City
Current Population:	26,358
2000 Population:	24,640
Households per Zip Code:	8,583
Average House Value:	\$232,400
Avg. Income Per Household:	\$42,299
Persons Per Household:	2.96
White Population:	11,444
Black Population:	3,414
Hispanic Population:	10,663
Asian Population:	3,278
Indian Population:	163
Hawaiian Population:	226
Other Population:	4,894
Male Population:	12,000
Female Population:	12,640
Median Age:	32.30 years
Male Median Age:	31.20 years
Female Median Age:	33.30 years
# Residential Mailboxes :	8,905
# Business Mailboxes :	574
Total Delivery Receptacles :	10,003
Number of Businesses:	443
1st Quarter Payroll:	\$72,903,000
Annual Payroll:	\$284,099,000
# of Employees:	7,051
CBSA Population:	12,829,272
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CBSA Name:	Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA
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 PMSA: 4480
 PMSA Name: Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA PMSA
 110th Congressional District: 36
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AARC CALLS ON THE REDISTRICTING COMMISSION TO LISTEN CLOSELY TO SOUTH LOS ANGELES COMMUNITIES

Los Angeles, CA, June 13, 2011--The African American Redistricting Collaborative (AARC) released the following statement in response to California's Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) release of the first draft of Congressional, State Assembly, Senate, and Board of Equalization district maps on Friday, June 10.

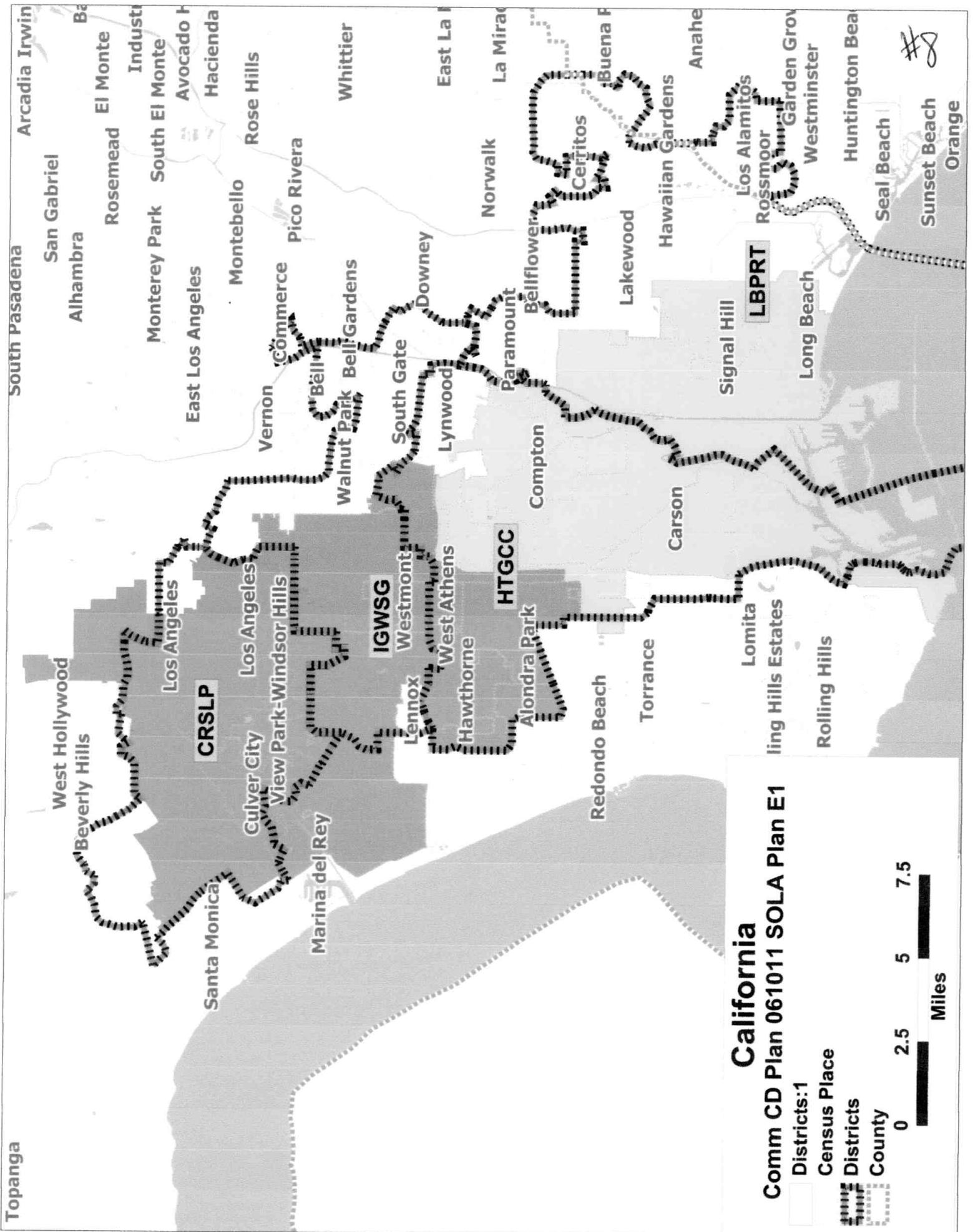
After months of dialogue with community members, monitoring and testifying at CRC community input hearings and business meetings, and developing redistricting plans of our own, AARC's initial review of the June 10 draft maps reveals that these initial maps do not reflect the information presented by the AARC and dozens of community stakeholders who have testified both in person and in writing before the CRC.

AARC's presentation submitted on May 26 included a thorough analysis demonstrating the importance of maintaining South Los Angeles's district configuration. That report included supporting data showing the relevant communities of interest, the evidence of the community's record of electing preferred candidates, as well as testimony from the stakeholders in South LA. Unlike the CRC's first draft, our proposal did not severely reduce electoral opportunities for any minority group, nor did it radically refashion the communities joined together in existing maps. AARC presented a plan that took all relevant law into account. Unfortunately, the CRC draft maps did not track AARC's lines which respected African-American communities of interest in South Los Angeles and sought to ensure that Black voters would continue to have an opportunity to elect candidates of choice.

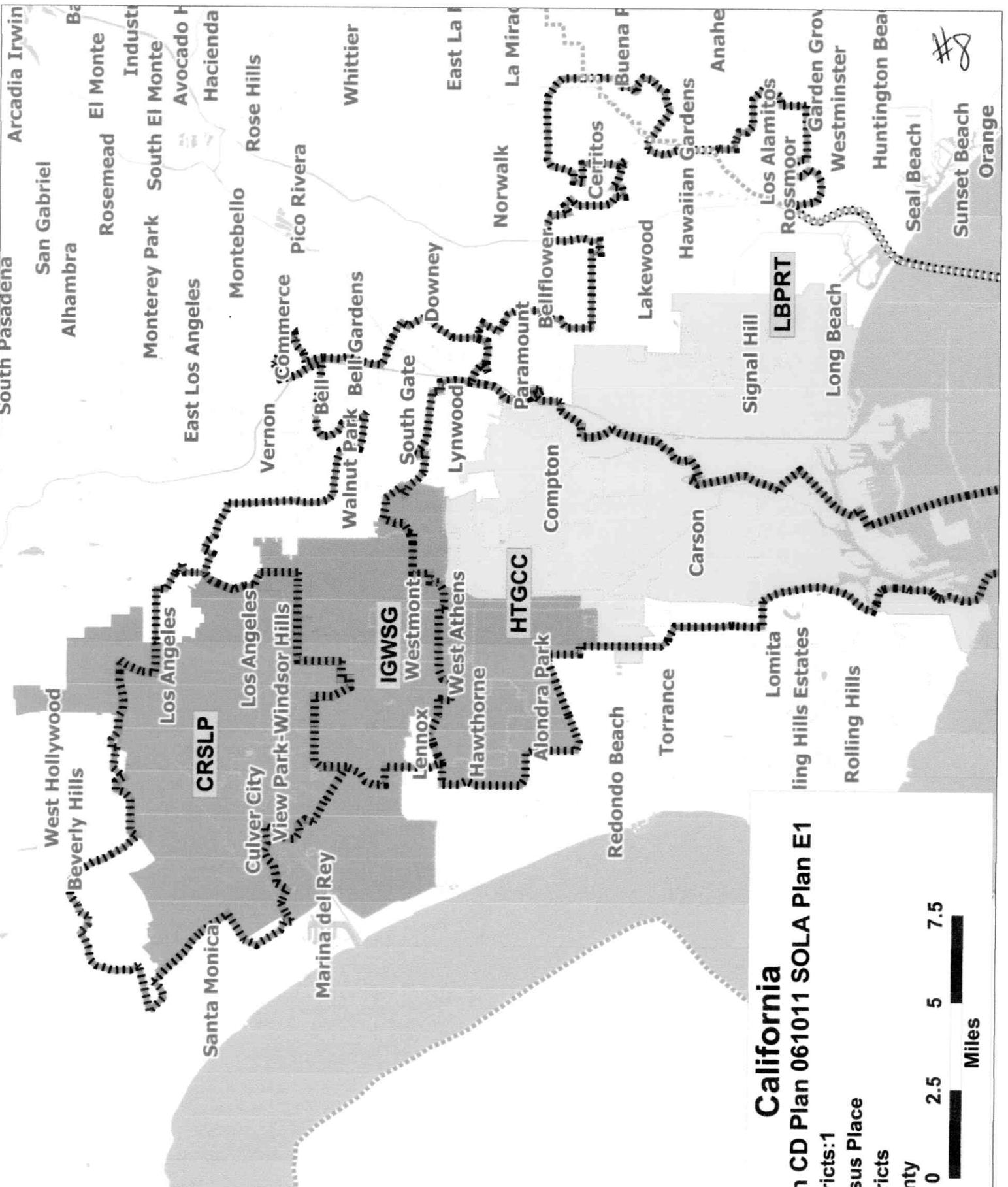
This weekend, an enthusiastic standing room only group of citizens, that included a cross-section of voters representing a variety of ethnic and socio-economic groups met in the heart of the Black community -- Crenshaw Boulevard in Hyde Park to discuss these plans. The broad consensus expressed in that meeting supports the earlier conclusion from AARC -- the Commission maps do not reflect the communities of interest in southern Los Angeles County.

After reviewing the maps, working groups were formed to amplify to the Commission the concerns about ignored communities of interest, and to identify the specific assets and resources in their communities that are essential for their continued effective

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