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Hello,

I reside in Baldwin Hills, CA. The boundaries are roughly Pico to the north, Slauson to the south, Normandie to the east and Robertson to the west. My neighborhood is a residential area with a high percentage of African-American people who live, work, shop and worship in the vicinity. There are scores of second and third generation families, mingled with more recently transplanted families of similar background.

Our community of interest includes South Central, Exposition Park, Vermont Slauson, Westmont, Watts, Florence-Graham, Figueroa Corridor, Vermont Knolls, which are neighboring residential communities that share similar demographics and a lot of common interests.

We hope that you will keep us together in the same legislative districts so that we can't continue to speak with a unified voice and elect people who will represent us.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Keep My Community Together

From: armen ross <[REDACTED]>

Date: Wed, 1 Jun 2011 15:07:42 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Dear Sirs:

I live in the Lafayette Square area of Los Angeles. The area is in Mid-City and is generally bounded by Venice Blvd. on the north, Washington Blvd. on the south, Crenshaw Blvd. on the east and West Blvd. on the west. My neighborhood is a residential area with a high percentage of African American people who have lived and bonded in this area for many many years. We enjoy many cultural events, holiday events, historical housing stock, neighborhood cafes, small ethnic markets, theaters, and a rich African American history.

Our community of interest includes Baldwin Hills/Ladera Heights/West Adams/Crenshaw /Jefferson Park/Hyde Park/Leimert Park/View Park/Windsor Hills/Culver City/Playa Vista/Mid-City/ and Pico-Robertson which are neighboring communities that share similar demographics and similar cultural ties and allegiances that Lafayette Square shares. We are all part of an expanded community known as the Crenshaw community. The Crenshaw community is an enclave of varied income and educational levels that reflect the African American community in general. Economic Development in recent years has caused the community to bond even more since there has been an influx of new retail stores, restaurants, big box stores, and senior housing.

We hope that you will keep us together in the same legislative districts so that we can continue to speak with a unified voice and elect people who will represent us well.

Thank you.

Armen D. Ross
Lafayette Square resident