Dear Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission:

On behalf of the Southwest Center for Asian Pacific American Law (SCAPAL), the lead organization for CAPAFR-San Diego, and the Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC), the anchor organization for the statewide CAPAFR network, we write to offer a couple of mapping suggestions for senate districts in San Diego County. We offer these suggestions, set forth at the bottom of this email, after reviewing the Commission’s latest senate visualization and observing your business meeting today.

We note that the June 28 unity plan submitted by CAPAFR, MALDEF and AARC contained district configurations for San Diego County senate districts that were predicated on the drawing of a potential Section 2 district encompassing southern San Diego, Imperial County, and a portion of Coachella Valley, with a Latino CVAP of 50.64% (Unity District ISAND in the unity senate plan). We further note that the Commission’s visualization does not draw such a district configuration, and the mapping suggestions we offer in this email should not be construed in any way to represent our agreement or concurrence that the Commission’s decision not to draw such a district is appropriate.

We also note that the district configurations proposed in the unity senate plan, specifically Unity Senate District CSAND, represent our view of how the geographical integrity of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) communities of interest in San Diego County can properly be respected. The Commission’s latest senate visualization for San Diego County differs dramatically from this view.

It is clear that the framework the Commission has decided upon for San Diego County, which we consider less than ideal, is incompatible with the framework embodied in the unity map. And so
the mapping suggestions we offer are intended to provide the Commission and its line-drawers with a basic idea for how, working within this less than ideal framework, it can minimize damage to AAPI communities of interest residing in urbanized areas caused by the submergence of those communities of interest in rural-dominated districts.

**Move from CSAND to NESAN:**
- Spring Valley
- Lemon Grove
- La Mesa
- El Cajon

**Move from NESAN to CSAND:** *
- Mira Mesa
- Rancho Penasquitos
- Rancho Bernardo
- Miramar
- Sorrento Valley
- Carmel Valley

* We note that Poway is also part of the AAPI of interest comprised of these areas, and should be moved into CSAND if possible

With additional time next week, we may offer refinements to these suggestions, which we offer just as a starting point for how to alleviate the problems we believe the Commission’s visualization presents for AAPI communities of interest in San Diego County.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these mapping suggestions and we look forward to seeing the Commission's next set of visualizations.

Best regards,

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President, Southwest Center for Asian Pacific American Law

Eugene Lee
Voting Rights Project Director, Asian Pacific American Legal Center
Subject: Clarification re: unity senate map for San Diego County

From: Eugene Lee <eugene.lee@aparlcenter.org>
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To: [Redacted]

CC: Deanna Kitamura <deanna.kitamura@aparlcenter.org>

Dear Members of the Citizens Redistricting Commission,

We understand that there may be some confusion about the CAPAFR-MALDEF-AARC unity senate map submitted on June 28, versus CAPAFR's senate map submitted on May 23.

CAPAFR's interests in San Diego County at the senate level are incorporated and reflected in the CAPAFR-MALDEF-AARC unity senate map for Southern California, which includes unity senate districts in San Diego County.

Accordingly, the June 28 unity senate map for San Diego County districts represents CAPAFR's most up-to-date preferences for how San Diego County senate districts should be drawn.

Best regards,
Eugene Lee

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Subject: DO NOT CHANGE MY CONGRESSMAN!
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Look, I can't read these maps. What I mean by that is, looking at the proposed maps, I have no clue how they relate to the current maps, and that's what's important to me. I don't see any kind of overlay. All I can really tell you is that I DO NOT want to lose my current Member of Congress. I will move if your stupid decisions put me out of the district Congressman Hunter represents. I live in Carmel Mountain Ranch, a community between Poway and Rancho Bernardo in San Diego. Do NOT put me in Congressman Bilbray's district. Don't make me move! From what I can see, that's exactly what you're doing, and I strongly object to the way you have my area carved out. Fix this, or let me know immediately that I am simply misreading these maps. Tell me whose Congressional district you think you're going to put me in. If it isn't Congressman Hunter's, then you have to know your're really messing this up . . . badly!

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