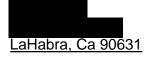
Subject: LaHabra is in Orange County

From:

Date: 7/14/2011 11:54 PM

To:

This is ridiculous. Look at a map. LaHabra is in Orange County. Let's keep her there!!!!!



Subject: Legislative Redistricting Effort Affecting La Habra.....NO don't do this to La Habra North

**Orange County** 

From: "

Date: 7/14/2011 3:12 PM

То:

Dear Citizens Redistricting Commission:

PLEASE DO NOT put La Habra, Orange County, California into the L.A. County districts......WE LIVE in Orange County. We are proud North County residents. Our voice needs to be represented by our Orange Orange County representatives. We pay taxes in Orange County....We send our kids to school in Orange County. I don't want to vote for representatives in L.A. County.

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Karlene Ellis (homeowner and resident La Habra, North Orange County)

Email:

Web site: <a href="http://wedrawthelines.ca.gov">http://wedrawthelines.ca.gov</a>

Address: Citizens Redistricting Commission, 901 P Street, Ste. 154A, Sacramento, CA 95814

Toll Free Phone:

Subject: Maintaining Santa Ana and Anaheim community of interest

From: Glenn Hayes <

Date: 7/14/2011 4:07 PM

To: "

#### Dear Commissioners,

I have learned that the Commission, in its latest proposals for congressional districts, is essentially ignoring the June 18th input of the Santa Ana and Anaheim communities. This is hard to understand since there is such an obvious, long standing "community of interest" linking Santa Ana and the Anaheim "flatlands." If either of the latest proposed maps are adopted it will dilute the voice of these communities and bring into question of voter's rights.

I strongly urge you to reconsider this line of actions and not split up Santa Ana and historic area of Anaheim.

## Glenn Hayes

President & CEO

**Neighborhood Housing Services of Orange County** 

The Commission is considering 2 options for the congressional maps -- both of which connect a good portion of Santa Ana with Orange and/or Villa Park. They are effectively ignoring June 18th public input from so many of us. It appears certain members of the Commission are determined to dilute the vote of our community. Please STOP EVERYTHING YOU ARE DOING and write the Commission RIGHT NOW!

**Subject:** Oppose Redistricting

From: <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 8:18 AM

To:

Thsi email is to let you know that I oppose the redistricting of placing La Habra in an L.A. County District. Placing an Orange County city into a district made up of LA County cities will not serve it well because of its different needs and places it at a disadvantage. La Habra should be placed with other northern Orange County cities.

We are experiencing the same difficulty where I work in Lakewood. Placing it with other cities that have no similarities in needs or make-up puts Lakewood at a disadvantage for any future consideration needs.

Correct this redistricting change now because it is not a fair redistribution.

Alma Varela

Subject: please do not separate Santa Ana from Anaheim for the congressional district

From: Mike Matsuda <

Date: 7/14/2011 4:46 PM

To:

Dear Commission,

I am a founding board member of a large Asian Pacific Islander non-profit in Orange County, the Orange County Asian Pacific Islander Community Alliance and I am writing to express my grave concern that you do not split Santa Ana from Anaheim in the re-districting process. These two communities have much in common, not only ethnically, but also socio-economics, education levels, types of jobs, and urban hubs serving as gateway communities to our large immigrant communities.

I appreciate your consideration,

Sincerely,

Michael Matsuda

From: Michele Martinez <

Date: 7/14/2011 11:13 AM

From: Michele Martinez <

Subject: 47th CD

### Message Body:

Good morning Commissioners, My name is Michele Martinez a resident of Santa Ana and a council member. I have been following your meetings online and at your July 9th meeting a discussion was had around separating Santa Ana and Anaheim in the 47th CD. I attended your meeting this morning in Sacramento to reiterate again to this commission my same sentiments of keeping communities of interest together (Santa Ana and the flatland's of Anaheim). I also support the Dewane map, which respects the natural OC communities of interest of keeping Santa Ana with western and central Anaheim, keeping Huntington Beach and Costa Mesa with Westminster and Garden Grove, and keeping Irvine with South County. Recent commission visualizations of the Santa Ana/Anaheim district are quite similar to the Dewane map, except that the commission version includes eastern Garden Grove instead of western Orange. You might include that the Dewane map could easily be modified to keep the commission's Ana!

heim/Santa Ana district by adding Newport Beach to the coastal district and adding Tustin to Irvine in the South County district.

Lastly, I urge this commission to not separate the only Latino District in C.D for Orange County.

Thank you!

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

From: Christina Ciccarelli <ti

**Date:** 7/14/2011 11:30 AM **To:** 

From: Christina Ciccarelli <

Subject: Changing District Lines

Message Body:

Hello,

Please DO NOT district La Habra to Los Angeles County. This would be a terrible thing for myself and my family in many ways as well as many other families. Please keep La Habra within Orange County. I appreciate your consideration with this.

Sincerely,

Christina Ciccarelli

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From: Amber Gould <

Date: 7/14/2011 11:52 AM

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Message Body: Dear Committee,

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I am a first time homeowner, my husband, a teacher, and I picked La Habra because of its quaint location, great representation and diverse politics. Being a democrat in a conservative county (Orange) has been hard, but my elected representatives have done a great job representing my cities, and my interest in county matters.

I urge you to change your mind- change the line-put us back in the O.C.

Thanks for your time and review, Amber Gould

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To:

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From: Gloria ntBe <

Date: 7/14/2011 12:22 PM

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Subject: City of La Habra

### Message Body:

My husband and I are registered voters in Orange County and we oppose the City of La Habra being excluded from Orange County in the current redistricting plans!!!! We pay our taxes and do all of our business in Orange County and we want to continue being represented by legislators and congressmen who work for our city and county - NOT L.A. County!

Sincerely,

Gloria & John Bent

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From: CITY of LOS ALAMITOS

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Commissioner Jodie Peter Yao California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Sincerely, Cherry Francisco

Judy Klabouch, President





Commissioner Michael Ward California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Commissioner Jeanne Raya California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Sincerely, Kinducell

Judy klabouch, President

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July 13, 2011

Commissioner M. Andre Parvenu California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Sincerely,

From: CITY of LOS ALAMITOS

Could Kennell Judy Klabouch, President





Chairman Lilbert R. Ontai California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Commissioner Galambos Malloy California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Commissioner Michelle DiGuilio California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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July 13, 2011

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Judy Klabouch, President

07/14/2011 09:26 #253 P.024/027

From: CITY of LOS ALAMITOS





July 13, 2011

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Los Alamitos Chamber of Commerce

From: Deby Eddy <

Date: 7/14/2011 12:32 PM

To:

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Subject: La Habra Redistricting

#### Message Body:

I am concerned that La Habra's voice will be diluted if it is placed in a Senate District with Los Angeles County cities. The impact on our schools and our future children of La Habra.

I've lived in La Habra since 1972 moved from Los Angeles county for reasons that you want to change.

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This mail is sent via contact form on Citizens Redistricting Commission

From: Jason Park <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 6:11 PM

To:

From: Jason Park <

Subject: Orange County Coast District

#### Message Body:

Irvine, Newport Beach, and Laguna Beach must be kept together in a single congressional district to better preserve our interests. The significant Asian population should also be kept together so that their interests are also represented in Congress. The district should be made more competitive so that it won't be so Republican-dominated as Rep. Campbell currently doesn't seem to care about the risks of debt default and is more interested in preserving tax breaks for himself and his lobbyist friends.

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From: Carolyn Cavecche <

Date: 7/14/2011 10:04 PM

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Subject: Orange Congressional Districts

#### Message Body:

Over this process I have testified and sent many emails commenting on maps. I was shocked when viewing the new congressional maps released for the City of Orange. Orange has mistakenly been partnered with the City of Santa Ana. Although we are geographically next to each other we are not like communities in any sense. Orange is not a densely populated urban environment. We are a historic community with a small town feel. Our homes range from 100 year old craftsman to equestrian estates. We align with the communities like Tustin and Anaheim Hills in housing stock, transportation issues and public safety concerns to name just a few. As I have testified multiple times if you MUST use Orange to bridge two other like communities only areas wets of the 57 Freeway are appropriate. Please Please use the CD visualizations released 2011.07.08 STHOC. These new CD maps are terrible for our city!!

Mayor Carolyn Cavecche, City of Orange

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From: Patricia Burnes <

Date: 7/14/2011 10:43 PM

To:

From: Patricia Burnes <

Subject: Villa Park, Orange

#### Message Body:

Please do not include Orange and Villa Park with Santa Ana. Orange has a distinct old town district, is a college community, and an equestrian community

which shares trails and activities with Tustin, Anaheim, Anaheim Hills, and has the same school districts. Santa Ana is urban and has very distinct interests which need to be met compared to Orange.

It would be a great injustice to these residents to deny them a voice.

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**Date:** 7/14/2011 11:11 PM

To:

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Subject: Input

Message Body:

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From: Patricia Burnes <

Date: 7/14/2011 11:16 PM

To:

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Subject: Maps

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Subject: re: Legislative Redistricting Effort Affecting La Habra

From: "Amos Cook" <

Date: 7/14/2011 10:22 AM

To: <

I am a La Habra resident. I do not approve of being placed in the los angeles district. We are located in orange county, that is the district we belong. Thank you for not redistricting La Habra.

Amos Cook La Habra resident.

**Subject: REDISTRICTING 2011** 

From: "Nellie Kaniski" <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 6:21 PM

To: <

Dear Members of the Redistricting Commission;

I was privileged to be part of the "Community of Interest" who lent testimonies at the Orange County June 18, 2011 public hearing. We, as a community, felt empowered in lending our voices in order to safeguards the basic principles of democracy. We were holding onto the hope that you would see the logic of pairing the 'SNANA' and 'ANAFL' assembly districts to nest them within a senate district. HOWEVER, I am expressing GREAT disappointment in the two options you are presenting for the Central Orange County Congressional Districts.

An overwhelming number of speakers at the June 18 public-input hearing requested that you keep all of Santa Ana and the "flatlands" of Anaheim together whenever possible. Many speakers also suggested inclusion of south Fullerton, east Garden Grove, and/or southwest Orange within these same districts. You responded affirmatively with Visualization Maps for both the State Assembly (SNANA) and Congress (WESTG) that aligned with the requests.

"A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST?" Clearly, ours is just that....

By pairing the Santa Ana and the Anaheim "flatlands" within the same congressional district, you would be recognizing a Community of Interest whose history goes back to the turn of the century; you would acknowledge a community that annually celebrates its history, its culture and their families--proud to celebrate its countless US Military Veterans who have served and have been recognized with distinguished medals of service from the 40's to the present.

In 1997, our Community of Interest (cities of Santa Ana and Anaheim), lobbied to have a new school named Gonzalo and Felicitas Mendez, the principles in the Mendez vs. Westminster case which desegregated California schools; the *Mendez* case foreshadowed *Brown vs. Board of Education*, it included the judicious use of social science research, the application of the 14th Amendment and the involvement of Justice Thurgood Marshall. In 2007, a Mendez United States Postage Stamp was issued. We proudly celebrate this historical landmark decision...many of our organizations as well as our parents participated in making this happen. "We celebrate our history!"

Our Community proudly celebrated Sylvia Mendez, born in Santa Ana, daughter of Felicitas and Gonzalo Mendez, who was awarded the United States' highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, on February 15, 2011 by President Obama, for her tireless work in taking our Orange County's historical "Mendez vs. Westminster" unknown history to every part of the United States. We are community--you should recognize us as a "Community of Interest" that should remain together and be allowed to grow and continue to

Your support for my requests will support the preferences of the majority present at your June 18, 2011 public input hearing. Your support will respects communities of interest. Your support will avoid the pairing of dissimilar communities like Villa Park and Santa Ana. Please make every effort to keep neighborhoods with similarities together when drawing assembly and congressional districts--keep our "Community of Interest" TOGETHER!

Please pair the 'SNANA' and 'ANAFL' assembly districts to nest them within a senate district that encompasses the similar communities of Santa Ana, Anaheim, Fullerton, Buena Park and Stanton. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,

Nellie Caudillo Kaniski

Executive Director, MANA de Orange County; a 501(c) 3 not for profit organization.

Celebrating 30 years of community service in Central Orange County.

MANA Mission: To empower Latinas through Leadership, Community Service and Advocacy.

**Subject:** Redistricting La Habra

From: "

**Date:** 7/14/2011 9:01 AM

To:

I wholeheartedly OPPOSE La Habra falling under L.A. County CONTROL!! The Citizens Redistricting Committee is CRAZY! LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE! It ain't BROKE so it doesn't need fixing! La Habra has BEEN Orange County, and should stay as is.

It amazes me that the Government, be it Federal, State or City, is so GREEDY and ALWAYS on a POWER TRIP, that they ONLY think of themselves and not the people!

L.A. County LEAVE THE CITY OF LA HABRA ALONE!!!

Connected by DROID on Verizon Wireless

Subject: redistricting of La Habra

From: JULIE VALENZUELA <

Date: 7/14/2011 10:00 AM

To: <

To whom this may concern:

I am a citizen of La Habra and I definitely object to the redistricting of La Habra into the LA county district. La Habra should stay with Orange County where we can continue to have a voice on important issues that concern our city and government.

Thank you,

Julie Valenzuela

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Re: Los Alamitos Comments on Current Redistricting Maps

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Commissioner Michelle DiGuilio California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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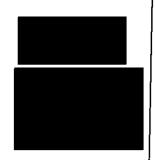
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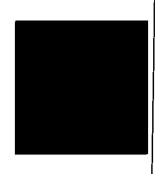
Commissioner Stanley Forbes California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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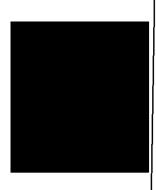
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Re: Los Alamitos Comments on Current Redistricting Maps

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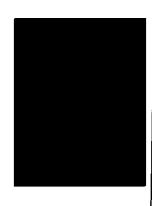
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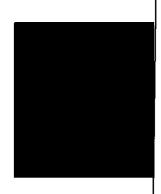
Commissioner Jeanne Raya
California Citizens Redistricting Commission
901 P Street, Suite 154-A
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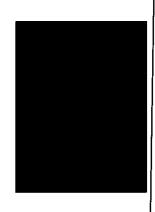
Commissioner Vicent Barabba California Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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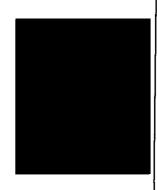
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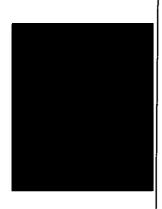
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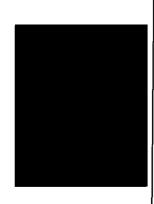
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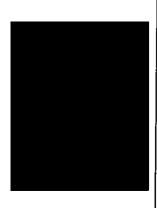
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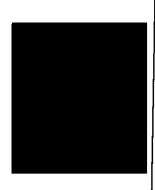
**Re: Los Alamitos Comments on Current Redistricting Maps** 

Dear Commissioner Aguirre:

As you are aware, the City of Los Alamitos has taken a significant interest in the outcome of the Redistricting Commission's efforts to redraw the legislative district boundaries in California. Accordingly, we have watched the proceedings closely and have spent considerable time becoming educated on the subject. Among the characteristics of the current draft maps that has become apparent to us, is the "transportability" of the voters of Los Alamitos. By that, I mean that our small population (under 13,000) and relative uniformity of our City's demographics and party affiliation have allowed the Commission to move our City into draft districts that may make sense from a "bird's eye" point of view in meeting the overall charge of the Commission, but makes little or no sense when examining the issue on the "street" level – which, frankly, is the only point of view that matters to City officials and their constituents.

Specifically, we believe strongly that the placing of Los Alamitos into "coastal" Assembly and Senate Districts and in a Congressional District dominated by the City of Long Beach will serve only to disenfranchise our voters and ensure that our small town has a diminished voice with future legislators representing the three districts, as they are currently proposed by the Commission. We wrote previously to underscore the importance of considering "communities of interest" and "maintenance of contiguous borders" when creating the draft maps of the districts. We still believe that those very important considerations have not been given due consideration by the Commission during the creation of the draft district maps. However, we are writing today to press more important and localized concerns.

Concerns Regarding Proposed Senate and Assembly Districts - The placement of Los Alamitos in coastal districts, which include the cities of Huntington Beach, Newport Beach and Costa Mesa, would serve to pull our City away from other local communities with strategic issues interests similar to those in Los Alamitos. Issues such as the "Katella Corridor," which affects our City and the cities of Cypress, Stanton, La Palma and Garden Grove, and the future development and potential re-use of the Joint Forces Training Base (JFTB) which affects the cities of Los Alamitos, Cypress and Garden Grove on a daily basis are germane examples of our concerns. We have worked effectively as a region over the years to create solutions that have benefitted our residents in many ways. To arbitrarily relocate the opportunities and challenges incumbent with the JFTB into another "region" dominated by cities with primarily coastal concerns, would surely result in deleterious impacts for the residents of Los Alamitos and the residents of the



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aforementioned communities because of the forced break-up of long-standing and natural allies. It is difficult for us to conceive of a situation in which the cities of Costa Mesa and Newport Beach would care greatly about what really occurs at the JFTB, or, for that matter, on Katella Avenue. As such, in the Senate and Assembly Districts, as now proposed, the City of Los Alamitos would represent little more than a small and potentially ignored voice among much larger entities.

Concerns Regarding Proposed Congressional District — Similarly, we believe that placing Los Alamitos in a district dominated by the much larger entity of the City of Long Beach would result in local issues being virtually ignored at the Congressional level. The draft Congressional district map currently shows Los Alamitos in a district which is dominated by the City of Long Beach, whose legislative issues are driven by a large commercial port, regional highways, ongoing concerns with crime, housing and schools - all issues that are, quite frankly, not critical concerns in our small community. As such, it is difficult to envision how a member of Congress representing such a district would care greatly about "smart corridors" along Katella Avenue, the future use of the JFTB and local water and wastewater concerns, when those issues are simply blurred by the problems of an unusually diverse and large City, such as Long Beach. We believe the issues facing our neighbors to the west are significant and worthy of much attention and needed resources. However, those issues may not necessarily reflect our local concerns and priorities.

Los Alamitos is a small, demographically homogeneous community that shares many traditional and practical concerns with cities, such as Cypress, La Palma, Garden Grove and Stanton. It is a situation that we believe should be respected by the Commission and continued during this redistricting process. Our residents do not want to experience the unacceptable situation in which our local issues become subsumed by the needs and desires of entities much larger than ours because Los Alamitos was "shoe horned" into legislative districts that simply do not meet the criteria of sharing "communities of interest" and maintaining "contiguous borders."

We appreciate your consideration of our concerns and look forward to working the Commission in creating new legislative districts that meet the needs of our State and our local communities.

Sincerely,

**CITY OF LOS ALAMITOS** 

Kenneth Stephens

Mayor

**Subject:** Redistricting

From: Alex Catalan <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 10:40 PM

To: "

I was raised in Garden Grove and still live here today. I have seen the community change and evolve over time and when I heard that we would be seperated out from our neighboring cities in the new Congressional visualization maps, it upset me greatly. In the maps online, Visualization, Option #2 tears Garden Grove from our neighbors, Santa Ana and Anaheim and places us with Little Saigon and various other South County cities. In Option #3 we are lumped into a district with Orange and Stanton and you have taken out most of Anaheim.

If you must use the map visualizations released today, option #3 is far better than the other choices, but I would also request that you seriously consider staying closer to our current district lines, and keeping together the communities of interest such as East Garden Grove, Santa Ana and Anaheim.

Regards

Alejandro E. Catalan

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Quote: To Infinity...and Beyond!!! - Buzz Lightyear </font>

Subject: re-districting

From: <

Date: 7/14/2011 5:31 PM

To:

I am very concerned about the two options you are presenting for the Central Orange County Congressional Districts. We witnessed many presenters on June 18th, giving you a road map on how to create the Congressional District that connects Santa Ana and Anaheim. We were very clear in the reasons why this was needed based on the population equality needs.

However, to my surprise, this map was not included in the two options being considered by the Commission. The options to unite much of Santa Ana with Anaheim, but to exclude some key working class immigrant areas of Santa Ana and include Villa Park and Orange Hills, which have absolutely NOTHING to do with the Santa Ana/Flatlands Anaheim community of interest, is not logical neither practical.

I respectfully ask you to consider communities of interest and disregard the two options you are proposing.

Respectfully submitted,

Ana Nogales, Ph.D. Psychologist

Casa de la Familia, a non profit organization

Santa Ana, CA 92701

**Subject:** Response to possible realienment of boundries

From:

**Date:** 7/14/2011 11:55 AM

To:

July 14, 2011

Dear Sirs,

It has come to my attention that it the city of La Habra may be having it's boundaries changed and put i with Los Angeles County Legislation. My name is Linda C. Di Massa and I am a 45 year life long La Habra resident. I have always taken pride in my city and its community. I work in a Los Angeles county school district and am extremely saddened in the differences that I see each day in comparison with La Habra.

I feel the feel the schools, the utilities, and the community atmosphere is much more superior to anything that I see in the Los Angeles county. I implore you to not join LA county legislation and try other alternatives such as the Fullerton / Yorba Linda legislation.

Respectfully,

Linda C. Di Massa

La Habra, CA 90631

**Subject:** Second Draft Maps Re:

From: Chirag Bhakta <

Date: 7/14/2011 4:18 PM

To:

Hello, my name is Chirag Bhakta and I am a resident of Anaheim as well as a recent Alumnus of this California State University, Fullerton.

After analyzing the second drafts of your maps, it seemed rather clear to me one of two conclusions, either you are deaf, or you deliberately decided to not take into account the tens of people who spoke out during your public hearing at CSUF on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

What I am talking about is the splitting of Santa Ana and Anaheim from being a part of one district, to now two different districts, with Santa Ana being coupled with Garden Grove and Westminster or Orange, and Anaheim mainly with Fullerton. They are split up in the assembly, senate, and congressional maps. Santa Ana needs to be connected to Anaheim, specifically the entire flatlands, with a bridge through East Garden Grove.

It can't be denied, ask anyone who can look at a map, anyone who can read data, Anaheim, Santa Ana, and East Garden Grove are similar communities. Their parallels go beyond the cultural sphere, they have comparable education outcomes, gang-prevention programs, bankruptcy and foreclosure statistics, percentages of English language learners, poverty rates, and so on and so forth.

Splitting them will only dilute and erase the voting power of these communities.

Now, if you wish to separate, further disenfranchise, supplant any representation, tear down any and all progress, and create a roadblock for the progression of culturally-linked groups in Orange County, then go ahead and leave the maps how they are.

But if you ever want to see your maps approved and not have this whole process be a waste of your time, then I strongly suggest you make the necessary changes.

#### **Chirag Gunvantbhai Bhakta**

"Only the foolish people fight against all obstacles in pursuit of equality and justice." Paint me foolish.

**Subject:** State Redistricting Effort Affecting La Habra

From: Emily Mireles <

Date: 7/14/2011 11:43 AM

**To:** <

July 14, 2011

**Dear Commission Members** 

As a resident in the City of La Habra, located in Orange County, I am writing to you regarding the impact of your proposed plan to place the City of La Habra in both a Senate District and an Assembly District with all Los Angeles County cities.

Being that La Habra would be the only Orange County city these districts, I find this completely *unacceptable*. The City of La Habra needs to be represented in Sacramento by elected officials from our areas that will vote based on what our constituents believe are priorities. It makes no sense, whatsoever, to have our city represented by officials whose constituents and voters are from Los Angeles County cities. It is not fair for these Los Angeles officials to vote on our behalf on such critical issues such as education, transportation, water resources, environmental protection, public safety, and many other issues, as these may be related to policies, laws, or funding.

I **strongly urge** you to reconsider your plan, re-draw the proposed boundaries, and to instead put the City of La Habra in the Diamond Bar-Yorba Linda or Anaheim-Fullerton Assembly Districts and Diamond Bar-Yorba Linda Senate District.

I thank you in advance for taking the time to listen to my concerns.

Sincerely,

**Amalia Mireles** 

(North Orange County)

**Subject:** City of La Habra redistricting, comment, opposed.

From: robert dale <

Date: 7/14/2011 8:58 AM

То: "

Re; City of La Habra redistricting, comment, opposed.

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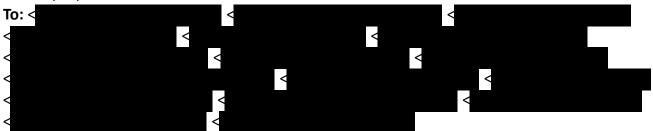
Please put all of La Habra in the Orange County district. Slitting our town with a Los Angeles County district is not a good idea.

Thank you, Robert Dale

**Subject:** Comments to Commission's Proposed Maps

From: "Mary Anne Foo" <

Date: 7/14/2011 3:58 PM



Please see our attached comments to the proposed Commission Maps. Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback.

Mary Anne Foo, MPH Executive Director

Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance

Garden Grove, CA 92843

-Attachments:

CAPAFR-OC Comments to Commission.pdf

301 KB



July 14, 2011

Via electronic mail California Citizens Redistricting Commission		
Sacramento, CA 95814		

RE: Comments About Visualizations for Comments About Visualizations

The Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Community Alliance, Inc. (OCAPICA) is the lead agency for the Coalition of Asian Pacific Americans for Fair Redistricting – Orange County (CAPAFR-OC). As CAPAFR-OC, we represent almost twenty different community based organizations and associations. Our coalition is submitting these comments in response to the Commission's July 2 and July 8, 2011 visualizations for Orange County districts. We make the following three comments about the Commission's visualization.

1. North Orange County: Both the July 2 and July 8 Assembly visualizations only keep partially county community of interest made up of Fullerton, Brea, Buena Park, Cypress, La Palma, Cerritos and Artesia. Fullerton, Buena Park, Cypress and La Palma appear to be kept together. However, Brea is separated from this community of interest, as are Cerritos and Artesia. In the July 8 Congressional Variable of Fullerton and Artesia are in another split from Buena Park, La Palma and Cypress; additionally, Cerritos and Artesia are in another district. The July 8<sup>th</sup> Senate visualization also keeps Fullerton and Brea together but separate from Buena Park, La Palma and Cypress.

We are encouraged by the Commission's discussion during its business meeting where it indicated that it will look at the CAPAFR-MALDEF-AARC unity map for the north Orange County area. However, we have yet to see the commission's visualizations for this area fully reflect the unity map, and the significant community testimony that the unity map embodies. We hope that the next iteration of visualizations will better accommodate this community of interest and possible at all levels of government.

2. Little Saigon: The Commission's July and the late of Exating a table of igon (Westminster/Garden Grove) appears to show Little Saigon being drawn into a district with eastern Long Beach. The July 8<sup>th</sup> Assembly visualization now shows Little Saigon being drawn into a district that includes Los Alamitos, Rossmoor and Seal Beach, as well as the southern part of the south of the 405). Rather than either scenario, our preference is for Little Saigon to be joined with parts of western Anaheim, similar to what is shown in the CAPAFR-MALDEF-AARC unity proposal.



	We also understand that the Commission had a discussion of drawing the Santa Ana-Anaheim district in such a way as to preserve more of the geographical integrity of the Little Saigon community of interest, by putting west Santa Ana and more of eastern Garden Grove in a district with the rest of Little Saigon. We are encouraged by this discussion and note that while it is difficult to tell for certain, the July 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Assembly visualizations appear to reflect this. However, the July 8 <sup>th</sup> Congressional visualization does not; the July 8 <sup>th</sup> Congressional splits the Little Saigon community of interest by putting Fountain Valley in
	another district. We hope that the Commission will adopt the same approach in its Assembly visualization for other levels of government and reunite Little Saigon at the Congressional level.
	On the Senate side, we encourage the Commission to look at the CAPAFR-MALDEF-AARC unity map for Southern California Senate districts. The unity map shows a substantially different configuration for Little Saigon and the Santa Ana-Anaheim than the July 8 <sup>th</sup> Senate visualization.
3.	Irvine: Both the July 2 <sup>nd</sup> and July 8 <sup>th</sup> Assembly visualizations in south Orange County split the City of Irvine, and the July 8 <sup>th</sup> Congressional visualization also splits Irvine. We believe that Irvine should be kept whole at all levels of government. Residents of Irvine have pride in the city's low crime rates and strong educational system, and these are issues that they advocate with policymakers on. Having unified representation for the city is key to their ability to have
comme	pe you take our comments in high consideration, should you have any questions or need further ents, do not hesitate to contact me at or or Thank you for the unity to provide comments and for your consideration.
OCAPIC	Anne Foo CA Executive Director R-OC Member

**Subject:** Congressional Options

From: Claudio Gallegos <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 1:21 PM

To:

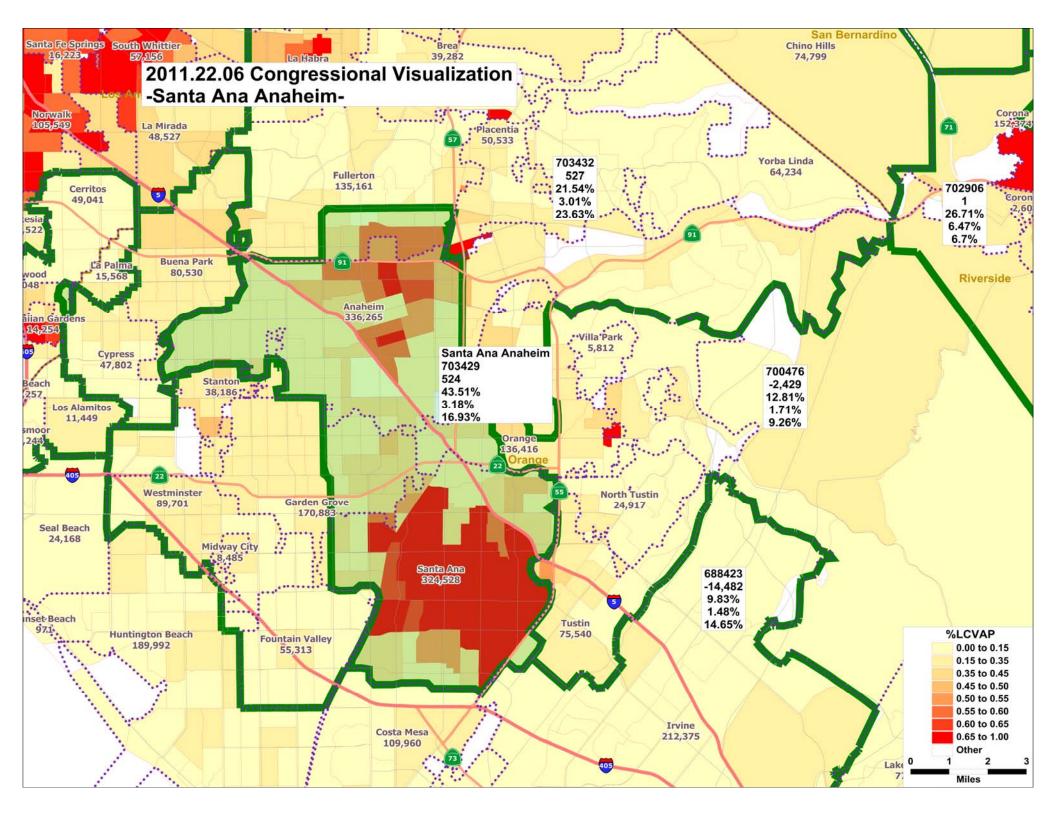
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When a map, drawn up by your map makers, came out, I was impressed that this map was able to be put together. So imagine my surprise when this map was not including in the two options being considered by the Commission. Instead, one option does unite much of Santa Ana with Anaheim, but excludes some key working class immigrant areas of Santa Ana and includes Villa Park and Orange Hills, which have absolutely NOTHING to do with the Santa Ana/Flatlands Anaheim community of interest.

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Sincerely,	
Claudio W. Gallegos	
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### STEVEN S. CHOI, Councilmember

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July 7, 2011

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Libert "Gil" R. Ontai Citizens Redistricting Commission 901 P Street, Suite 154-A Sacramento, CA 95814

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Subject: Keep santa ana, anaheim and the eaSt part of garden grove up tu brookhurst together

From: Benny Diaz <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 3:12 PM

To:

Dear commissioners,

My name is benny diaz, the state director of LULAC and I live in garden grove. Please keep santa and the east of garden grove all the way up to brookhurst to be together.

Sincerely,

Benny Diaz, State Director CA LULAC

**Subject:** La Habra is in Orange County - Not LA County

From: Kathy Jew <

Date: 7/14/2011 6:06 PM

To: "

Citizens Redistricting Commission

Sacramento, CA 95814

**Dear Commission Members:** 

I am strongly opposed to the Commission's plans to place La Habra in Senate and Assembly Districts comprised solely of Los Angeles County cities. If you are at all familiar, you know that La Habra is part of Orange County – not Los Angeles County. It is wrong to single out one city in Orange County is unacceptable. La Habra's will no longer have representation in public affairs at the State Legislative level. La Habra needs to have representation that understand and share the local vision, goals and objective. La Habra is part of Orange County, NOT LA County.

I urge you to reconsider the tentative boundaries and place La Habra in a district along with other North Orange County communities.

Sincerely,

Kathy B. Jew

Brea, CA 92821

**Subject:** La Habra Legislative Districts

From: Janis Robinson <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 8:30 AM

To: '

I live in La Habra and have become aware of a redistricting plan to include La Habra with only Los angeles county cities. This is totally inappropriate and denies us adequate representation as our city is separated from cities to the north by a hillside terrain. Our representative would be less accessible to hear our concerns.

Please reconsider your plans! La Habra should be included with other OC cities in any redistricting plan.

Please keep me informed of your plans as they progress.

Thank You,

Janis Robinson, Architect, former Planning Commissioner

La Habra, CA 90631

Subject: La Habra Legislative Districts

From: "Peter Douglas" <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 6:07 PM

**To:** <

Keep La Habra in orange county!

Peter Douglas Voter and La Habra resident!

**Subject:** La Habra redistricting

From: "BARBARA PRIESTLEY" <

Date: 7/14/2011 6:39 PM

**To:** <

I ADAMANTLY oppose the draft boundaries and believe La Habra should be placed in a district with other OC cities. Placing La Habra in LA district is UNACCEPTABLE!!!!

Subject: La Habrato Stay only Orange County

**From:** Sped1944 <

**Date:** 7/14/2011 11:45 AM

To:

La Habra has done fine in Orange County. Keep it there. We moved from LA County almost 40 years ago to Orange County because taxes and insurance was cheaper. Now in our golden years, on a limited income, we surely don't need an increase in them along with all the other increases we have been getting. Please keep La Habra only in Orange County. Thank you very much.