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Citizens Redistricting Commission

901 P Street, Suite 154-A

Sacramento, CA 95814

Via Fax: (916) 651-5711

Dear Commissioners:

On behalf of the people of Oakland, let me first thank you for hosting a public hearing here at our historic City Hall on May 21. I regret that a previous commitment to our resident-led Town Hall meetings kept me from attending in person, but I received many reports of a successful and informative day. I was particularly pleased to hear from several respected colleagues in the African-American, Asian-American and Latino-American communities about their comments to the Commission.

I wanted to add my voice to those urging continued representation for our major East Bay cities, which I believe is reflected in your draft maps to date. As the former chair of the Urban School Boards Association, a City Councilmember, active participant in the League of Cities and now U.S. Conference of Mayors, I know from direct experience how distinct and urgent the needs of our cities are. Nesting the Assembly and Senate Districts, and maintaining urban cohesion in the Congressional Districts, is critical to our residents' opportunity to access state and federal funding and to advocate for neighborhood safety, education, healthcare, transportation, and other policies that improve quality of life.

Oakland residents have a lot at stake in the coming decade, and your actions on redistricting will have great impact on the success of our City and future Mayors. Thank you for hosting a meeting in Oakland and for listening to our residents.

Best wishes for all future success.

Sincerely,

MAYOR JEAN QUAN

CITY HALL •



• OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA 94612



Subject: Thank you for creating a Hayward- Fremont- Milpitas congressional district

From: Sergio Santos <[REDACTED]>

Date: Fri, 1 Jul 2011 11:01:14 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Thank you for creating a Hayward-Fremont-Milpitas Congressional District!

Dear Commissioners,

I have testified in Oakland, Sacramento, San Jose (mayfair center) and San Jose City Hall

We strongly support the new visualizations of the congressional map for the Tri-Cities. We are very heartened by the new proposed Hayward/Fremont/Newark /Union City/Milpitas Congressional seat.

We fully support the proposal to have a district that includes Hayward, Union City, Fremont, Newark, and Milpitas. We are pleased that Fremont is rooted in an Alameda County-anchored district, respecting our history and institutions. The Commission and Q2 heard our call for one Congressional district which has a strong Asian/South Asian voice-- we are deeply moved by your giving a voice to this community.

This map validates our belief in the citizen commission and the democratic process. By approving this map, the commission is giving voice to communities that have traditionally been underrepresented. The Commission is putting citizen testimony first and foremost, and demonstrating that the perspective of underrepresented communities of color matter.

We look forward to supporting this map, and supporting more generally the Commission for their extraordinary work in being responsive to public testimony. We hope that this will be the final map for the Tri City area in an Alameda County district.

Regards,

Sergio U. Santos
UAW Local 2244 President



Subject: too late to put two cents in?

From: m c <[REDACTED]>

Date: Fri, 1 Jul 2011 00:33:48 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

Can we still put our two cents in? Sorry, just saw this via mom's email and am replying.

It's unfair to the people who live in north fremont for them to have their house price fall because the people in south fremont/mission san jose are stuck up assholes. Either don't split or take the whole of fremont and place it in Santa Clara county. I mean, if the split people wanted to live in santa clara county so much, why not have gotten a house there to begin with?

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Mei Kee
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Subject: Thank you for creating a new Tri-Cities congressional district!

From: Jara <[REDACTED]>

Date: Fri, 1 Jul 2011 18:31:02 -0700

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Dear Commissioners,

As a Newark, CA resident since 1995, I strongly support the new visualizations of the congressional map for the Tri-Cities.

I fully support the proposal to have a district that includes Hayward, Union City, Fremont, Newark, and Milpitas. The Commission and Q2 heard our call for one Congressional district. The Commission is putting citizen testimony first and foremost and I greatly appreciate it.

I look forward to supporting this map, and supporting more generally the Commission for their extraordinary work in being responsive to public testimony. My fellow residents and I hope that this will be the final map for the Tri City area in an Alameda County district.

Sincerely,

Jara Dan-Fodio

Subject: Thank you for creating a Hayward-Fremont-Milpitas Congressional District!

From: Anjana Desai <[REDACTED]>

Date: Fri, 1 Jul 2011 13:18:35 -0700 (PDT)

To: [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Anjana Desai
Fremont Resident

Subject: Thank you for creating a Hayward-Fremont-Milpitas Congressional District!,

From: Marilyn Campbell <[REDACTED]>

Date: Fri, 01 Jul 2011 21:34:39 -0700

To: [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Marilyn Campbell
Fremont, CA 94555