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

Dear Commissioners,

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.

Sincerely,
Yogi Chugh
"We are the people who made Toyota the most popular brand in Fremont CA"

Dear Commissioners,

As you may already know, I’m the former president at UAW / NUMM plant Fremont CA. In the past month, I have given testimony in Oakland, Sacramento, San Jose (Mayfair center) and San Jose City Hall.

California is in the midst of the worst jobs crisis since the Great Depression. Despite modest signs of a fragile recovery, state unemployment reached 12.4 percent in December 2010—fifth highest in the nation. Double-digit joblessness could last through 2012. More than one in five California workers—21.1 percent—was unemployed, underemployed or too discouraged to look for work last year. That represented the worst rate on record for the state and the second highest in the country.

Against this troubling economic backdrop, Toyota closed its New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc in Fremont CA, (NUMMI) vehicle assembly plant April 2010. Located in Fremont, CA. NUMMI was formed in 1984 as a joint venture with General Motors. The closure idled 4,700 workers at the plant, the largest mass layoff in California since the Great Recession began in December 2007.

Six months later, Tesla Motors announces to move into the vacated NUMMI Plant in Fremont, Ca. Our dislocated workers and the state of California feel that Tesla Motors will be the new Gold Rush in the city of Fremont California. The entire city of Fremont has already suffered a devastating Blow with the closing of the NUMMI plant.

On behalf of Our laid off workers 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. Thank you.

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Thank again commissioners,

Sergio U. Santos
UAW Local 2244 President
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