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Date: Wed, 6 Jul 2011 15:20:02 -0700

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Dear Members of the Commission:

According to the press reports, the original map of the Sixth Congressional District prepared by your commission set out district boundaries that ran from the Golden Gate Bridge to the Oregon border. While I felt that Marin County, a suburban county, had more in common with Sonoma County, also a suburban county, I could understand that you wished to include within the district the coastal interests shared by those counties which border on the Pacific Ocean.

Now, there are reports that you will be modifying the district boundaries to include Marin County with parts of San Francisco. I find this incomprehensible. Regardless of which part of San Francisco is included in the boundary, the interests of its inhabitants will be exclusively urban. These are hardly shared by the suburban/agricultural residents of Marin County. This is hardly the community of interests sent out in the remit of your commission. Furthermore, among the criteria set out for the commission was one of maintaining the boundaries of the subdivisions of the state. Marin County and San Francisco County are discrete political entities. Including parts of San Francisco County with Marin County fails to meet another of the criteria by which your decisions are supposed to be governed.

The purpose of setting up your commission was to avoid making political decisions regarding the boundaries of the political districts which you are setting up. I find it hard to believe that the proposed new boundary of the Sixth Congressional District are not the intended to help a political officeholder or a particular lobby to obtain a district to their liking. I hope that you will remember the purpose for which this commission was formed and be governed by the criteria of your remit.

Isidoor Bornstein