Re: Comments on July 13th & July 18th Assembly District Visualization for National City

Dear Commissioners:

The Commission’s Assembly visualizations of July 13th & 18th continue to split the Filipino American community in East National City between Assembly District SSAND and LMSAND, thereby substantially diluting their voting strength to access or elect a representative of their choice.

We respectfully ask that the Commission focus on drawing lines similar to the CAPAFR-MALDEF-AARC unity map by putting East National City in Assembly District LMSAND.

The unity map keeps Filipino American community institutions in eastern National City together with API community members from National City, Paradise Hills, Alta Vista, Bay Terrace, Bonita and East Chula Vista who rely on those institutions for key services.

Some of those frequented Filipino American institutions include, but are not limited to, the following:

St. Mary’s Catholic Church
Church
Point-Point Joint Turo-Turo
Restaurant
Council of Philippine American Organizations
Nonprofit
Filipino Press
Newspaper
Chan Dong
Supermarket
Pinoy Fiesta
Restaurant
Asian Journal
Newspaper
Zarlitos Family Restaurant
Restaurant
Villa Manila
Restaurant
National City Times
Newspaper
Manila Sunset
Restaurant
Lollicup Tea Zone
Retail
Lisa's Filipino Cuisine
Restaurant
East National City is the hub for social, cultural, health and economic interests and needs of Filipino Americans as well as the larger Asian Pacific Islander (API) communities of Paradise Hills, Bay Terrace, Bonita and east Chula Vista. They come to National City to work, socialize, worship, shop and access health and social services. East National City is a contiguous community of interest that should be kept together so their residents have an equal and fair opportunity to elect representatives of their choice.

Please respect this community of interest in East National City by uniting the Filipino community in South Bay as requested. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,
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