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FAX TO: CALIFORNIA CITIZENS' REDISTRICTING COMMISSION  
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Fax: [REDACTED]  
Phone: [REDACTED]

FAX FROM: Carol M. Hehmeyer  
[REDACTED] Walnut Creek, CA 94595  
Email: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]  
Fax: [REDACTED]  
Cell: [REDACTED]

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Date: August 9, 2011, Tuesday

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Dear Redistricting Commission:

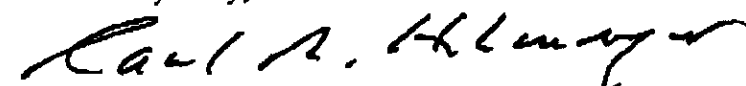
Coming herewith is a petition I signed and a second one signed by my husband and by me, asking that you permit Commissioner Ward to issue a Minority Report setting forth and discussing his reasons for voting "no" as to each of the proposed maps, on July 29.

Commissioner Ward has shown integrity, courage, and excellent judgment throughout the process. He should not be muzzled.

The Commission was founded on principles that emphasize citizen participation and full disclosure by the Commission of its deliberations. This prohibition against Commissioner Ward is a disgrace.

Please permit the man to speak freely.

Yours very truly,



Carol M. Hehmeyer  
Contra Costa County

**Subject:** Pleasant Hill/Martinez Senate District

**From:** Nathaniel Hansen <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 12:08:07 -0700

**To:** [REDACTED]

Dear Commission;

It has come to my attention, as a resident of Martinez, that a senate district change has been proposed for Martinez and Pleasant Hill. Currently, Martinez is the county seat of Contra Costa county and as such, has ties to the county as well as the greater bay area, as many people work in or around Oakland and San Francisco. Changing the senate district for these two towns makes no sense as the political, social and economic ties of these two communities are vastly different than those in the proposed district area. As an affected community member, I petition that this change should not happen. I and many others in this town have few or no direct ties to the other counties in the proposed district beyond occasional recreational purposes. What each of our areas want from our representation will not likely be the same and thus cause conflicts or under representation. Please take this into consideration when you make these changes final.

Thank you,

Nathaniel Hansen

**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

**From:** Carol M Hehmeyer <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 13:05:47 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Carol M Hehmeyer <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Walnut Creek

Message Body:

I strongly urge the Commission to permit Commissioner Michael Ward to issue a Minority Report detailing his reasons for voting against the maps on July 29, 2011. His vote was courageous. A man of such immense integrity must be permitted to speak. The muzzling of this principled member of the Commission is a cowardly disgrace and runs against the principles on which this Commission is founded.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

**From:** Heidi Perryman <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 16:07:56 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Heidi Perryman <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

Please provide a list of all the other cities in California that you have split in half. I'm very curious if this is SOP or particular to Martinez.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

**From:** Linda Wagner <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 21:40:36 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Linda Wagner <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting Unfair

Message Body:

We notice that the redistricting being considered favors Democrats and is UNFAIR and politically motivated! We demand that Commissioner Ward, who is being denied the chance to file a "Minority Report" stating his reasons for voting against these maps, be allowed to file the report so it will be part of the record!

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

**From:** Anne S Blake <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 22:44:52 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Anne S Blake <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Gerrymandered lines favor Democrats

Message Body:

The lines for all the different districts are unfairly drawn and partisan. If these maps are adopted, Democrats will be favored in just about every district. The Commission is supposed to draw district lines that have no partisan tilt, and encompass a compact area - not a mishapen gerrymander.

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**Subject:** Public Comment: 8 - Contra Costa

**From:** "Robert C. Nuzum" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Wed, 10 Aug 2011 00:18:57 +0000

**To:** [REDACTED]

From: Robert C. Nuzum <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Redistricting

Message Body:

I have been involved in this one sided process and am disgusted with the politically unbalanced and unfair results. This is America and this is or was the Golden State of opportunity. Was it really that important to be politically biased in the selection of these boundaries for Contra Costa County ? These boundaries don't make any sense to those of us working and living here. You should all be ashamed of yourselves and the sham you have made of this process.

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**Subject:** senate redistricting

**From:** "Wendy Gollop" <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 20:22:07 -0700

**To:** <[REDACTED]>

**CC:** <[REDACTED]>

Dear Committee

I live in Pleasant Hill and I am writing in hopes that you will reconsider your decision of placing my city in the same district as St Helena and other parts of the wine country. I am not sure how you arrived at placing us in this district but we have much more in common with our neighbors of Walnut Creek and Central Contra Costa County. We share public transit, local utility companies, regional parks, school districts etc. with our surrounding cities. WE SHARE NONE OF THIS WITH THE WINE COUNTRY. I do not think that we will benefit from being connected to this rural district when we are anything but rural. I do not feel as though a state senator could fairly represent both of our interests.

Please keep us informed as we are watching this process carefully.

Sincerely,

Wendy Gollop and Alan Bade

[REDACTED]  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

**Subject:** The RAMON Senate District

**From:** Dick Offerman <[REDACTED]>

**Date:** Tue, 9 Aug 2011 12:03:12 -0700 (PDT)

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

Dear Commission,

I am writing to you to ask that my hometown, Pleasant Hill's redistricting be incorporated with other Contra Costa County cities rather than counties to our north that have little if any correlation with our city. Yola and Solano Counties are for the most part agricultural rather than Pleasant Hill's urban, bedroom community status. While the wine country to our north is a nice place to visit, they do not share in the urban issues that face residents of Pleasant Hill and Martinez.

There are many other cities in Contra Costa County share in our interests and geographical similarities. Please do your best to retain a senate district that is fairly drawn and one that all parties share common community concerns.

Thanks for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Richard Offerman

[REDACTED]  
Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

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Anne S. Blake	Contra Costa	8-9-11
Thomas S. Blake	Contra Costa	8-9-11
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Land R. Broddy	Alameda	8-9-11



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*Paul A. Hehmyer* \_\_\_\_\_ *8-9-2011*  
*Contra Costa*

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Name, Address, Email and/or Phone	County	Date
1) ALEXANDER M. HEHMEYER [REDACTED]	CONTRA COSTA	8/9/11
2) CAROL M. Hehmeier [REDACTED]	CONTRA COSTA	8/9/11
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Please circulate, scan and email to [REDACTED]  
Don't forget to cc to [REDACTED] so California Conservative Action Group can track our submissions to the Citizens Redistricting Commission