Subject: KEEP SOUTH BAY TOGETHER IN 36TH C.D.

From:

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 10:23:29 -0700

To:

VOTERS FIRST

I would strongly urge the commission to keep the south bay together in the new 36th C.D. It has been so for many many years. The South Bay has common interests that are unique. It is especially important as it relates to jobs which we sorely need in California. El Segundo is our jobs magnet and the the South Bay is where the aerospace employees live. Please dont't split the area south of the airport.

Subject: Proposed district for the South Bay area **From:** James David <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 10:20:18 -0700

To: "

Hello,

Your proposed district for the South Bay are is just wrong. I am strongly opposed to the proposed district boundaries.

Please reconsider:

- Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District
- The South Bay Congressional District should be Westchester south only

El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district. And the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

This is our community. Our personal lives, business interests, economic activity and everything else are intertwined with our neighborhood and our community.

Thank you for correcting this error in your proposal.

James David	
Torrance, CA	
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Subject: Redistricting

From: Bev Miller <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 12:26:04 -0700

To:

I request that you make the following changes for the South Bay Congressional/Assembly districts:

- Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District
- The South Bay Congressional District should be Westchester south only

El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district. And the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

This is what community members want. Their personal lives, business interests, economic activity and everything else are intertwined with their neighborhood and community.

Bev Miller

"Be Shrewd as Snakes and Innocent as Doves" Matt. 10:16

Subject: redistricting

From: "john goodlett" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 16:48:42 -0700

To: <

we in the South Bay ask that you keep us together. This is very important to us. It's not about party or ideology. It's not about race or ethnic makeup. It's about our neighbors and having a representative who knows our community and can actually represent us.

Subject: Redistricting - South Bay District 36

From:

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 18:36:03 -0400 (EDT)

To:

I was born in 1951, lived, worked and as a single mother raised my son up in Torrance, California.

We are a very proud city and support the surrounding communities. To learn that the Redistricting Proposal will cut our city in half and separate us from those communities is not acceptable! My question, does anyone on the committee know anything about the South Bay? If they did, this proposal would not be an option. I personally feel betrayed by this process and respectfully request that you reconsider this decision.

Regards, Ronda L. Parks

Subject: Redistricting Commission regarding the South Bay

From:

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 19:36:58 -0400 (EDT)

To:

- We were promised that the Redistricting Commission would draw up new boundaries that were fair and competitive
- In the interest of fairness
- Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District
- The South Bay Congressional District should be Westchester south only

El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district. And the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

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I am strongly opposed to this gerrymandering and want a district with commonality.

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I would hope you would be fair about this and act accordingly as above.

Yours truly

Alan W. Rae

Manhattan Beach, Ca 90266

Subject: Redistricting of South Bay - Congress District 36

From: "Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 10:53:44 -0700

To: < CC: <

I am writing to express my displeasure with the Redistricting of the South Bay. I am opposed to the gerrymandering you have created and I want a district with commonality and the chance to elect a representative who knows our community and can actually represent us.

You have split Torrance in half. You need to put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District.

The South Bay Congressional District 36 should be composed of Westchester south only, El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena.

I represent the senior citizens of Torrance and they are not happy with your current proposal. They feel that they have been left out of the entire process since you only had one meeting in Long Beach in the first draft and the second round could only be accessed by computer videostreaming and downloading a special computer program to access the maps. Most of the senior citizens do not have computers and feel left out entirely. I also represent a large Japanese American group of senior citizens who not only did not have computer access but faced a language barrier.

This was not a transparent process as promised. Your duty was to protect cities, counties, and communities of interest. You have failed miserably in respect to this mandate. You owe that to the voters who approved the formation of your commission!

Regards,
Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino
Torrance Commission on Aging – Chair
South Bay Japanese American Citizens League – Board Member

Subject: Redistricting of South Bay

From: "Elizabeth Ahlport" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 15:02:01 -0700

To:

To Redistricting Committee, responding to prop 11

Do not string out our South Bay Congressional district into a ridiculous north ward long coastal string with a grab of Beverly Hills and Bell Aire. Our district should be kept intact with the interacting businesses and homes of the South Bay. Put all of Torrance, Lomita, San Pedro and Harbor City back together with the Palos Verdes Peninsula and its local beach cities. The SOUTH Bay Congressional District should be bounded on the north by Westchester.

Yours truly, Betty Ahlport, Palos Verdes Peninsula

Subject: Redistricting the former 36th Congressional District

From: James Jemiola <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 23:07:11 +0000

To: <

Dear madam/sir:

I live and work in the South Bay of Los Angeles County. My personal life, economic activity and everything else occur in this area. I thought the reason for the California redistricting commission was to reduce or eliminate gerrymandering. I now see the plan is to gerrymander us once more. I disagree with this proposal.

The former 36th Congressional District needs to include all of the South Bay. It should run from Westchester and South only. It needs to include El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita (all of Torrance and Lomita), Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena. We should be able to vote to elect political leaders who represent our interests.

Thank you for your consideration.

James Michael Jemiola

Redondo Beach CA 90278

Subject: Redistricting the South Bay

From: Merna Marshall <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 14:23:52 -0700

To:

Dear Commission:

I am writing to ask you to please reconsider your plan to break apart the 36th Congressional District and the South Bay/Beach Cities Assembly Districts. The proposed drawing of the lines makes no sense and it is critical that you put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District to make the South Bay Congressional District from Westchester south only.

El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district. And the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

This is our community. Our personal lives, business interests, economic activity and everything else are intertwined with our neighborhood and our community. To rip it apart like you currently propose is not right.

Sincerely,

Merna Marshall

Lomita Resident

Subject: 36th congressional district and state assembly proposed districts

From: Julie Busch <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 15:58:38 -0700

To:

You are tasked to draw lines that are fair, competitive and share common concerns.

Why, then, has El Segundo been cut from the other South Bay beach cities for which we share common emergency response, commuter plans (buses/bikes), Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), and coastal concerns for the state assembly district. This makes absolutely no sense and makes El Segundo votes utterly worthless. The assembly district should include El Segundo with its other South Bay cities.

Regarding the 36th congressional district, Dividing Torrance is ludicrous. The district should begin at Westchester south and include all South Bay cities. El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district as they all share common major employers and coastal concerns.

Sincerely,

Thomas Perry - Independent Julie Busch - Republican Douglas Busch - Independent voting residents of 600 California Street, El Segundo

Subject: Redistricting the th district

From:

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 20:23:24 -0400 (EDT)

То:

Dear Redistricting Commission

For years our community (the south bay) has consisted of these cities: El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena. These cities should stand alone as their own district.

Sincerely, John Johnson

Subject: Redrawing districts

From: Katheryne Koelker <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 22:27:12 -0700 (PDT)

To: "

I believe that the South Bay area should all be in ONE district together. It is best to keep areas of similar interests together.

I live in Hawthorne. However, I attend church in Hermosa Beach, my relatives live in Lomita, and I do all of my shopping in Hawthorne, El Segundo, Torrance, Redondo Beach, and Gardena. Many of my friends live in the area.

Please take our wishes into consideration when drawing the district boundaries. Thank you for your consideration.

Katheryne Koelker Hawthorne

Subject: South Bay District

From: "Linda L Lake" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 13:57:52 -0700

To:

Please be reasonable when establishing new districts. The So Bay is the So Bay...it isn't N of Westchester! It certainly includes Torrance.

El Segundo, the beaches (Manhattan, Hermosa, Redondo) Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and maybe even Gardena belong together in the same district. Please do what is right and keep these cities as the "neighbors" they are.

Thank you, Linda Lake District 36 El Segundo

Subject: South Bay Districts Gerrymandering

From: bill spillane <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 11:13:09 -0700 (PDT)

Please stop the lunacy and blatant political gerrymandering; put the SouthBay back together.

Eliminating el Segundo and adding West L.A. is in violation of your charter.

Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District

The South Bay Congressional District should be Westchester south only

El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district. And the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

William Spillane

Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Subject: South Bay Districts Redistricting

From: Amy Chen <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 10:30:36 -0700

To:

To whom it may concern,

This is our South Bay community and I would urge you strongly to keep our neighborhood and community together, because we need to have a representative who knows our community that can actually represent us.

- Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District
- The South Bay Congressional District should be Westchester south only

Sincerely

Amy Chen

Subject: South Bay Lines

From: "Bibiana" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 19:34:51 GMT

To:

To Whom It May Concern:

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We in the South Bay ask that you keep us together

Thank you Connie Huffman Torrance, CA

Subject: South Bay Redistricting

From: The Day Family <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 14:26:57 -0700

To:

Redistricting Commission:

We just read an article that explains in great detail what your maps are proposing in breaking up the South Bay. Based on the information in that article, your unfair process is decidedly leaning Democratic and busting up our community.

El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district. And the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

The voters of California did not vote for this improper gerrymandering when we passed Proposition 11 and Proposition 20. We voted for common districts where we can get representatives who can actually represent our communities.

In closing, we strongly oppose this redistricting. This commission is not living up to its mission of fairness and non-partisanship and is not a positive move for California which will further push us off the cliff! The purpose of the above propositions were to take the drawing of district lines out of the hands of the legislators. Now it is painfully obvious that they are now in the hands of left leaning activists which is unacceptable.

Respectfully, Stephen Day Margie Day Emily Day

Subject: South Bay Redistricting

From: Tina Brogi <ti

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 18:52:00 +0000 (GMT)

To: CC:

Greetings!

I am writing to voice my concern over the recent proposed new boundaries for the 36th Congressional District. I am a long-time South Bay resident and know that this extreme move in the district lines will hurt our personal lives, business interests, economic activity and the intertwined neighborhood community of the South Bay.

I am asking that all of Torrance, Lomita and El Segundo be put back into the 36th Congressional District and that the South Bay Congressional District include Westchester south only.

Thank you!

Sincerely, Tina Brogi Hermosa Beach

Subject: Stop changes you are trying to make:

From: Judy Platus <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 11:42:36 -0700

To:

Dear Redistricting Commission Voters First Act PLEASE:

> Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District

 The South Bay Congressional District should be Westchester south only

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WE are strongly opposed to this gerrymandering and want a district with commonality.

PLEASE keep us together. This is very important to us. It's not about party or ideology. It's not about race or ethnic makeup. It's about our neighbors and having a representative who knows our community and can actually represent us.

Thank you for your support. Let?s put an end to this improper gerrymandering practice by acting now.

Judy Platus

Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

Subject: STOP CHANGES YOU ARE TRYING TO MAKE

From:

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 15:24:42 -0400 (EDT)

To:

PUT LOMITA AND TORRANCE IN BACK IN THE 36TH CONGRESS DISTRICT.

THE SOUTH BAY SHOULDE BE THE DISTRICT BELOW WESTCHESTER SOUTH ONLY

SAN PEDRO AND THE BEACH CITES SHOULD BE LEFT ALONE.

BETTY CALKINS

SAN PEDRO

Subject: 36th Congressional District Gerrymandering

From: Cindi Krippendorf <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 17:55:08 -0400

To: "

Dear Redistricting Committee,

I am a resident and business owner in the South Bay area of Los Angeles. I live in Torrance, and my business is in Hawthorne. I understand that the committee is planning to change the boundaries of CA-36, and I wish to express my opinion about the areas that should be part of this district. The "South Bay" is a community – everyone here refers to it as such, and it consists of the following cities:

Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, San Pedro, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, Gardena and Hawthorne.

The residents and businesses in our community share common interests, economic concerns and personal lives, and therefore we should be represented by someone who lives in our community and can represent us as our neighbor. Please note:

Torrance is at the center of the South Bay, and it makes no sense for it to be excluded or divided! Keep all of Torrance in the district.

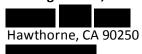
By no means, should CA-36 extend north beyond Westchester!! The district should be from south of Westchester only.

El Segundo should remain in the Assembly district.

Thank you for doing the right thing,

Cíndí Krippendorf

Fielding Electric, Inc.



Subject: We in the South Bay ask that you keep us together!

From: "Cat Shannon" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 14:46:02 -0700

To:

- Put all of Torrance and Lomita back into the former 36th Congressional District
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We in the South Bay ask that you keep us together. This is very important to us. It's not about party or ideology. It's not about race or ethnic makeup. It's about our neighbors and having a representative who knows our community and can actually represent us.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Cat

Subject: What the heck is going on?

From: "Robert Koran" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 21:55:32 -0700

To:

The L.A. County "South Bay" has, for the 46 years I have lived here, consisted of El Segundo, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Palos Verdes Peninsula, Lomita, Gardena, San Pedro and Torrance. Torrance is the Financial Hub of this area. This is the area where the Beach Boys grew up and it has a **common identity**.

The Redistricting committee is making a serious error in the proposed make up of the 36th district. The district is legitimately Westchester south to Carson, and include all of Torrance and Lomita. Just look at the freeway boundaries from the 105 Fwy south and west of the 405 freeway south to the 110 Fwy south to the Harbor. That would be a significantly more accurate district for the 36th.

This area does **not have** any connection to Santa Monica, Beverly Hill, West Hollywood etc...those are not even close to being apart of the South Bay, its culture or politics. Those areas have nothing in common with the South Bay cities

Please change the district to its <u>natural boundaries</u>. El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district.

Please respond to this letter. I'm tired of being disenfranchised by gerrymandering.

Robert Koran MARK Enterprises, Inc.

Subject: You people are rediculous

From: "Byron Crowell" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 11:25:45 -0700

To: <

You know, I'd like to email you about the redistricting of the South Bay that you people are doing, but I'm really just at whit's end. Don't you understand that you are losing the consent of the governed with these stunts you are pulling.

Is our politic so polluted and rotten that even a commission that was voted in to fix gerrymandering is corrupt? We are losing the civil society right before our eyes. Do you not understand that when it goes away you idiots will be first in line to the be taken to the woodshed?

I guess asking for integrity is laughable so I'll just say, have the sense of self preservation that God gave the animals. The citizens of California and America are aware and watching you.

Byron Crowell Publisher Solution Publishing

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Subject: 36th Congressional District- South Bay

From: "Jeff Kreager" <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 13:35:35 -0700

To:

I have been closely following the redistricting process and was initially encouraged that districts drawn by an "independent" commission would produce fairer boundaries more reflective of cultural and community character than was the case with redistricting drawn by politicians.

As a 32 year resident of the Beach Cities (Manhattan Beach, Hermosa and Redondo) I'm both respectful of the authority vested in your commission yet appalled at the proposed new boundaries for subject 36th Congressional District.

The proposed boundaries eliminated traditional communities recognized as being part of the South Bay such as El Segundo, part of Torrance, all of Lomita as well as San Pedro, Hawthorne and Carson. This, coupled with replacing these traditional South Bay cities with parts of the Westside including bizarre narrow portions of Santa Monica, Venice, Malibu, Bel Air and Beverly Hills. Even part of Calabasas, Agoura and Los Angeles are now proposed for inclusion in the 36th District. This appears to be gerrymandering of the first order.

Many of my friends and neighbors feel these proposed boundaries will result in our being disenfranchised with a more severely gerrymandered district than we suffered with before. Uncompetitive districts promote the type of dysfunctional, polarized politics that are paralyzing our government and damaging the economy, both locally and nationally. You have the power to make a lasting impact by drawing a more balanced district where the communities share common priorities with in-district representation rather than sharing little in common except vulnerability to extreme, carpet-bagging career politicians who seldom represent genuine community interests.

I urge you to revisit these boundaries if for no other reason than to avoid costly litigation which is unfortunately being readied.

If this district is left as proposed, count me in as supporting the lawsuit, financially and otherwise.

Please obtain appropriate community input and reconsider!

Respectfully,

Jeff Kreager

Manhattan Beach, CA 90266

Subject: 36th Congressional district; Assembly district

From: Benjamin Kirkup <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 10:42:39 -0700 (PDT)

To:

We wish to register our objections to the further gerrymandering of our electoral districts. It is obvious that special interests rather than community interests have had their way, destroying the democracy our lives and livelihoods depend on. Please reconsider the principles on which you have based your decisions and

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Also, the Assembly District should keep El Segundo in it.

Respectfully,

Ben and Karen Kirkup

Subject: 36th District Wrong!! Please Change it to its natural boundaries

From: "Mike Kurz" <att

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 12:57:53 -0700

To: <

CC: "'Michael Kurz'" <att

The L.A. County "South Bay" has always, for the 35 years I have lived here, consisted of El Segundo, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Palos Verdes Peninsula, Lomita, Gardena, San Pedro and Torrance. Torrance is the Financial Hub of this area. It's where the Beach Boys grew up (Hawthorne).

The Redistricting committee is making a serious error in the proposed make up of the 36th district. It legitimately should be Westchester south to Carson, and include all of Torrance and Lomita.

This area does <u>not have</u> any connection to Santa Monica, Beverly Hill etc...those are not even close to being part of the South Bay. They have nothing in common with the south bay except money. Money is not a legitimate reason to gerrymander a district.

Please change the district to its <u>natural boundaries</u>. El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Torrance, Lomita, Palos Verdes Peninsula, San Pedro, Hawthorne, and Gardena belong in the same district.

Subject: Assembly/Congressional Districts

From: Roger n Jeannie Harmon <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 16:02:05 -0700

To:

We object to the 36th Congressional district and Assembly boundaries which continue the gerrymandering to keep all current legislators snug in their seats. Torrance and Lomita belong in the South Bay community to assure that all are fairly represented, and that no current legislator is unbeatable. We need some "new blood" in this district.

Roger & Jean Harmon

Subject: Districting

From: Rod Walti < **Date:** Sat, 13 Aug 2011 11:35:40 -0700

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To: "

Please;

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Subject: DO NOT REDISTRICT OUR SOUTHBAY!

From:

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 14:39:14 -0400 (EDT)

To:

Redistricting the Southbay, my home, is not in the best interest of our citizens. Leave it alone.

Subject: keep south bay cities together

From: Joan George <

Date: Sat, 13 Aug 2011 14:18:06 -0700

To:

WE NEED TO PUT ALL OF TORRANCE AND LOMITA BACK INTO THE 36 DISTRICT A S A P