



City of Malibu

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September 6, 2011

Honorable Members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple Street
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RE: Redistricting Map A3 – SUPPORT

Honorable Los Angeles County Supervisors:

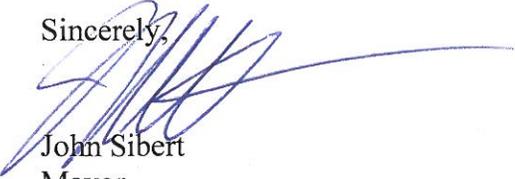
As Mayor of the City of Malibu, I am speaking in the City's best interest in support of Map A3 and in opposition to Map S2 and Map T1. We feel that Map A3 best preserves the integrity of the Districts and is the most consistent with our Community of Interest. It is geographically connected, compact and fully meets the Voting Acts criteria. It also reflects the population shifts as determined by the 2010 Census.

During the last 20 years, since the court-decreed redistricting, the City of Malibu has developed a strong cooperative relationship with the County of Los Angeles. This has allowed Malibu and its neighboring communities to work closely with the County to protect and preserve the unique Santa Monica Mountains, the watersheds and the northern Los Angeles County coast for all to enjoy.

Maps S2 and T1, either as District 3 or District 4, essentially restore the pre-1991 coastal district, within which there was little recognition of issues important to this community. The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, as well as the industrial centers, share very few common interests with the northwest portion of the County and the Pacific coast. The business, environmental and transportation concerns are entirely different.

Please consider our concerns and allow the Malibu community the ability to elect a Supervisor that would respond to our priorities. We do need a voice on the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,


John Sibert
Mayor

cc: Honorable Members of the Malibu City Council



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As you debate the future of the new supervisorial districts in our county, I want to add my voice to those that support Map A3 and oppose Maps S2 and T1. The City of Malibu has been well served in the 3rd Supervisorial District and we have been able to work with cities and areas that have concerns and issues similar to ours. Moving our city, and others, with areas that are dissimilar will do a great disservice to your constituents and the spirit of the Voting Rights Act.

Malibu and the Santa Monica Mountains area need a supervisor that is responsive to our needs. This can only be done if we are all kept in the same district. Our environmental concerns are the same as the entire Santa Monica Watershed, we currently work together on many transportation and traffic issues and we rely on each other for our emergency preparedness and disaster relief work. Programs that are ongoing and actually working would be disrupted and perhaps irrevocably impaired if a plan is not approved that makes sense for current communities of interest.

We are sensitive to population shifts in our County and the need to shift some boundaries. Please only make modifications that make real life sense for us. Do not go backwards but continue the progress that has already been made.

Sincerely,

Laura Rosenthal
Mayor Pro Tem

cc: Mayor Sibert and Honorable Members of the Malibu City Council