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Boundary Review Committee
Chairman Curt Pedersen
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500 West Temple, Room 383
Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: County Redistricting – Keep the San Fernando Valley In One District

Dear Mr. Pederson:

I am writing to you as the President of the Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association. In addition, I was a Member of the City of Los Angeles Redistricting Commission in 2001 and am familiar with the criteria and analysis utilized for the preparation of boundaries of electoral Districts.

We request that the Supervisorial District Boundary Review Committee keep the San Fernando Valley within one (1) Supervisorial District. The San Fernando Valley should not be broken into multiple Districts.

The San Fernando Valley is a separate and distinct geographical and topographical area. We have many community and business groups that focus on the needs of the San Fernando Valley as a distinct and separate area.

The residents and businesses have a community of interests that need to be considered as a distinct economic and political area.

The Santa Monica Mountains create a continuity of interests with the west side of the City of Los Angeles.

As a leader of the efforts in the early 2000s to form a separate city composed of the San Fernando Valley, I am very familiar with the continuity of interests that exists within the San Fernando Valley.

If I can provide any additional information or testimony, I would be happy to do so.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Richard H. Close", written over a horizontal line.

Richard H. Close