



ALTADENA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Mr. Curt Pedersen
Chair, Boundary Review Committee
c/o Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Room 383, Hall of Administration
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July 5, 2011

Dear Mr. Pedersen,

I am writing you on behalf of the Altadena Chamber of Commerce. In the interest of the community, the Chamber of Commerce has taken a stand opposing any sub-division of Altadena between Supervisorial Districts or to remove Altadena from its current District. Our stance is that either action will cause negative effects on the community.

While the many unincorporated areas in the county are tempting targets for numbers to balance populations of legislative districts, where an unincorporated area is a well-defined community it should not be split among districts. Providing services to Altadena Chamber members would be extraordinarily difficult with a split district as it would be terribly taxing to work with two supervisors.

Altadena is such a community, with a history going back to the 1880s. Rather than scattered small pockets typical of some San Gabriel Valley "islands," Altadena occupies a single area between the northern boundary of Pasadena and the national forest.

In any plan adopted by the Commission, the Altadena Chamber of Commerce respectfully requests the following from the Redistricting Commission:

- Altadena should not be split among supervisorial districts
- Altadena and its closely related sister cities, Pasadena and Sierra Madre, which share a common school district, should remain in one district.

We thank you for time and attention to our community.

Sincerely,

Inger Miller
President, Altadena Chamber of Commerce