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Mr. Curt Pederson
Chair, Boundary Review Committee
C/o Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Room 383, Hall of Administration
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Rowland Heights, Hacienda Heights, Diamond Bar and Walnut are ethnically similar communities with many social, cultural and political connections. Being clustered together at the east end of the San Gabriel Valley we cross each others boundaries to shop, eat, recreate, work, join service and social clubs, and we frequently join together to tackle common problems. We are a true "area of common interest" in every sense of that phrase. It makes obvious sense that we should be grouped together in a single district when the new supervisor district boundaries are drawn. Also, since most of the communities have long been represented by Supervisor Knabe, and he and his staff and they are intimately familiar with our problems and issues, it makes a great deal of sense that these communities should be in District 4. Several of the redistricting plans that have been submitted would accomplish such an alignment.

For Hacienda Heights, where (I/we) live, inclusion in District 4 is especially important. As an unincorporated area we are 100% dependent upon the County for our community services. Since we are not a city, we do not have local city officials to help us when there are problems. We depend upon the staff of the field office of Supervisor Knabe that is located in Rowland Heights to help us find solutions. Their help is invaluable. If we were to be placed in District 1 or 5, as some of the redistricting plans suggest, it would be a serious loss for our residents. The District 1 field office is in El Monte, at least 10 miles away and the District 5 field office is similarly inconveniently located. Please do not do that to us.

Sincerely,

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