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To: CommServ
Subject: Concerns with re-drawing the Fourth district as proposed.

The Fourth District includes sections of the South Bay, southeast L.A. County and eastern San Gabriel Valley. This diverse District includes several Asian American and Pacific Islander communities of interest which together enable AAPIs to exercise a measure of influence important to our communities. These communities of interest include Japanese Americans in Torrance; Pacific Islanders throughout the South Bay; Filipinos in Wilmington and adjacent cities; Cambodians and Vietnamese in Long Beach; South Asians in Artesia and Cerritos; Chinese and other AAPIs in Hacienda Heights, Rowland Heights, Walnut and Diamond Bar. Together, these AAPI communities enable AAPIs to have some clout in the District. Many County programs allocate funds to each Supervisorial District. The influence of the AAPI communities will be diluted in a number of the submitted redistricting proposals such as the one that plans to move Artesia, Cerritos, Walnut, Rowland Hts. and Diamond Bar into Supervisor Gloria Molina's district. Unfortunately, as a member of the AAPI communities, I do not support this move. Supervisor Molina has not been very supportive of AAPI issues, and she has zero AAPIs on her staff of 37. Many of our AAPI community members are concerned that her successor would take a similar approach, and the AAPI communities in her district would suffer.

Please keep the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities of interest together!!

Thank you!

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