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Commission Services

Board of Supervisors - Executive Offices

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Attn: Curt Pederson, Chair

Ref: Rowland Heights Proposed Redistricting

Dear Mr. Pederson and Board of Supervisors.

My wife and I have been 30 year residents in Rowland Heights. And, as such, we have watched and been involved with the growth of our community. We have major concerns about the proposed redistricting of Rowland Heights, which is currently in the Fourth District represented by Supervisor Knabe.

Our community is now fragmented between Supervisor's Knabe's (District 4) and Molina's (District 1), the major portion under Supervisor Knabe. This has created problems in the past with developer's over building, parking, traffic and building congestion, and various community affairs. Supervisor Knabe is very familiar with our General Community Plan, and has been involved with the adherence to the Plan. His involvement has been there over the years while our community has been growing. Most of all, we want community continuity in Rowland Heights.

Supervisor Knabe has worked very closely and diligently with the majority of the community residents and the Rowland Heights Community Council for many years, and is very familiar with our growth, problems, issues and concerns. Dealing with two Supervisors in Rowland Heights makes continuity throughout the District difficult, inconsistent and timely.

The unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County, like Rowland Heights, are very vulnerable to major changes to, and in, our community. We must count and rely on our Supervisor(s) to represent us, and that continuity is paramount. We know Supervisor Molina will be terming out in 2014, whereas Supervisor Knabe will not be termed out until 2016. This is another reason where Supervisor Knabe's representation will be very beneficial to our community for an additional two years.

There are currently many major issues which Supervisor Knabe and his Deputy Dickie Simmons are well aware of, and are an integral part of building the rapport and the ongoing development of Rowland Heights, while maintaining adherence our Community Plan.

It seems that it would be more efficient for the entire Rowland Height's community to be served by one

Supervisor who is the most familiar with our community, rather than keeping us split into two Districts, or electing a new Supervisor who may not be fully aware of our community concerns and issues. This would be counter productive to the ongoing growth of our community. It would also be less confusing by having one Supervisor representing the Rowland Height's residents.

We would also recommend that consideration be given to add Walnut to District Four. Rowland Heights, Hacienda Heights and Diamond Bar are all hillside communities which are adjacent to each other and have similar demographics, issues, problems and needs. Supervisor Knabe's guidance in District 4 would benefit all of these communities and would aid in our continuing to grow together collectively, rather than be fragmented under other District Supervisors.

We strongly urge that your Commission not consider any plan asking to redistrict Rowland Heights from the Fourth District.

We request to be placed on the contact list.

Respectively,

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