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California Citizens Redistricting Commission
721 Capitol Mall, Suite 260
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: City of Rancho Palos Verdes Community

Dear Commissioners:

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes is located on the Palos Verdes Peninsula in Los Angeles County. The City shares the Peninsula with the cities of Palos Verdes Estates, Rolling Hills, and Rolling Hills Estates. The Peninsula is currently represented by the 33rd U.S. Congressional District, the 26th State Senate District, and the 66th State Assembly District.

The Peninsula cities share one school district, one library district, one local transit authority, one land conservancy, and frequently work together on areas of mutual interest such as emergency preparedness and public safety. The cities of Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, and Rolling Hills Estates additionally share a regional contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement, and the four cities contract with the Los Angeles County Fire Department.

The City of Rancho Palos Verdes has been intimately tied to the coastal cities and communities of the South Bay region, including, but not limited to, the Peninsula cities, Torrance, Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, and El Segundo, many of which are within the jurisdiction of the California Coastal Commission. We share with our northerly South Bay neighbors a dependence upon a common transportation network for access to the rest of the Los Angeles region, and share many economic and cultural factors.

We are primarily a residential community and share a common affinity and appreciation of the unique physical and cultural environment afforded by our location along the coast. Many of the prominent regional community organizations serve the area extending northward from Rancho Palos Verdes toward Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). The City of Rancho Palos Verdes considers itself to be an integral part of the South Bay, as evidenced by its active participation in the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG).
Following the 2010 Census, the City was realigned with the northern coastal cities and communities of the South Bay – located generally west of the I-110 and I-405 freeways and south of LAX. We have appreciated the common representation these districts have provided and would request that the City continue to be districted with the other cities on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, and with the South Bay. Images of maps showing the City’s, Peninsula’s, and SBCCOG boundaries are attached.

Thank you for your efforts to draw the new district lines for California. We look forward to continuing being represented alongside other South Bay cities in the new districts.

Sincerely,

Eric Alegria
Mayor, City of Rancho Palos Verdes

cc: Rancho Palos Verdes City Council and City Manager
Palos Verdes Estates City Council and City Manager
Rolling Hills City Council and City Manager
Rolling Hills Estates City Council and City Manager
Jacki Bacharach, Executive Director, South Bay Cities Council of Governments
Attachment 1: Map of the City of Rancho Palos Verdes
Attachment 2: Map of the South Bay Cities Council of Governments, Including Peninsula Cities

1 Peninsula Cities are highlighted in green. Includes portions of unincorporated Los Angeles County.

The South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) is a joint powers authority of 35 cities and the County of Los Angeles that share the goal of maximizing the quality of life and productivity of the South Bay region. Our members are Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Redondo Beach, Rolling Hills, Rolling Hills Estates, Torrance, and the Harbor City/San Pedro/Wilmington communities of the City of Los Angeles, along with the unincorporated areas of the County of Los Angeles District 2 and 4.