Hello Commissioners,

I pressed *9 to be entered in the queue but didn't make it in for some reason. So I will submit my comments below.

My name is Eryn Wilson Nieves and I'm with Alliance San Diego, a community empowerment organization focused on educating and engaging communities of color, low income communities and immigrant families on issues that can create lasting change. I want to urge you today to extend the deadline to January 28th.

As you know, many organizations across the state are working tirelessly to increase education and engagement on redistricting. With more engagement the public needs time to understand and analyze redistricting data when it becomes available; draw initial maps; communicate with and work through potential points of conflict; prepare testimony and advocacy on behalf of their maps; understand and analyze the Commission’s feedback and its draft maps; provide feedback on the Commission’s draft maps; and comment on the Commission’s final deliberations.

This extension will prioritize community engagement and provide sufficient opportunities to work through this process in the most efficient and equitable manner.

With community engagement in mind, we urge you to approve this deadline extension to January 28th.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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