Dear Commissioners:

Thank you so much for allowing me to submit the map and statement,

I have been an active participant in the San Gabriel Valley educational and civil affairs for the past 25 years. I served as the first Asian-American female mayor of the city of walnut, the co-founder of the Chinese-American Association, and am the founder of the Chinese-American Parents Association of Walnut Valley Unified School District. I am also the former President of the Chinese-American Elected Officials organization.

My involvement in the community has given me a unique perspective on the growth of the Chinese-American and AAPI population in Southern California.

I am submitting this map for your consideration. I drew this map to link cities in the San Gabriel Valley, Orange County, and San Bernardino that have growing AAPI populations and share many commonalities, such as community values, business corridors, cultural centers, and high performing school districts.

These communities in Los Angeles County include Cerritos, Cypress, La Habra Heights, Hacienda Heights, Rowland Heights, Diamond Bar, Walnut, and parts of West Covina. In San Bernardino it would include Chino Hills, and southern Chino. In Orange County it would include La Habra, La Mirada, Buena Park, Fullerton and Brea. These communities are linked by the 60 freeway running east west, and by the 57 freeway and Beach Blvd/Hacienda Blvd running North South. You will find many Korean and Chinese grocery stores, restaurants, churches and businesses in these areas.

It is my hope that these AAPI communities could be included under one Congressional district so that these voices will be strengthened at the national level, and not diluted. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Mary Su