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California Citizens Redistricting Commission  
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RE: Visualization 1004-591246; keep Santa Monica and Malibu together

Dear Commissioners,

As a former mayor and longtime resident of Malibu and community activist in the Malibu and Santa Monica area, I have concerns over proposed visualization 1004-396414 (NorthOfLAX), which separates Malibu from Santa Monica and groups Malibu in with communities which are much further inland. Malibu needs to stay with other coastal cities to have appropriate representation in Sacramento, representation that understands the unique challenges and issues facing coastal communities now and in the future.

I am writing to support visualization 1004-591246 (MalibuWithCoastalLA) which keeps Santa Monica and Malibu in the same district. Santa Monica and Malibu have a long history together, sharing geography and demographic similarities. The Santa Monica Malibu School District serves all of our children, and Santa Monica College has a campus in neighboring Malibu, which would be cut off from the rest of the main campus if the “North of LAX” were to be adopted. Malibu and Santa Monica are coastal communities, and they should be grouped with other coastal communities. If they are not together in this map, Malibu will be alone with inland areas that have different issues and priorities.

I urge the Commission to keep Santa Monica and Malibu together and adopt the “Malibu with Coastal LA” visualization.

Best,

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