



October 20, 2021

San Diego Redistricting Commission

202 C Street, MS8A

San Diego, CA 92101

To the Honorable Redistricting Commission:

The Rancho Peñasquitos Town Council submits this letter in support of Proposed Map Number 2, and the October 20, 2021, letter submitted by the Rancho Peñasquitos Planning Board.

The reasons are two-fold, and of approximately equal weight.

First, Rancho Peñasquitos was split in the 2011 redistricting effort. It's past time to reunite us, and the 2021 Redistricting map should so reflect.

Second, the heart and soul of Rancho Peñasquitos, and the true district commonality is our membership in the Poway Unified School District, along with Rancho Bernardo ("RB"), Carmel Mountain Ranch ("CMR"), Torrey Highlands, ("TH"), Black Mountain Ranch ("BMR") and Sabre Springs ("SS").

This is important because most residents of RB, SS, CMR and RP moved here because of the PUSD school district. Our school district, our children, and the school-related activities – with their long-standing sports rivalries, marching band rivalries, Science Olympiad, academic leagues, cheerleading, scouting, etc. - define and link our communities.

In addition to obvious and overwhelming commonality of the PUSD, the proposed North County Inland /District 5 district with a re-unified RP would also encompass those communities that have Fire Safe Councils that coordinate with the San Diego County Fire Safe Council. Mira Mesa does not have a Fire Safe Council.

Additionally, the communities in the proposed NCI/District 5 district with a re-unified RP are all part of the Palomar- Pomerado Health District. Mira Mesa is not part of this district.

There are many other commonalities RP shares with the PUSD constituent member communities – diversity of populations, similar housing stock, age of infrastructure, rental vs. owner occupied statistics, and demographics.

In closing, the RPTC respectfully submits that Map Number 2 be chosen.

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