

1 make this quick as I have two minutes.

2 I wanted to support the Arizona Latino Coalition
3 for Fair Redistricting map. Also on a personal note I lived
4 in the Westridge (phonetic) precinct which is in the
5 proposed 22, and as you -- as you guys have it proposed,
6 I -- we are now lumped in with most of the West Valley, I
7 would like to find a way to keep West Phoenix with West
8 Phoenix. Also, I would like to ask to not split Avondale
9 whichever precinct you put it in -- I mean district you put
10 it in, it doesn't matter as long as you keep Avondale
11 together.

12 So thank you for your time.

13 SPEAKER DOWLING: Good evening, my name is Sandra
14 Dowling. I'm the legislative district chairman for the
15 current Legislative District 13 for the Arizona Republican
16 party. I will -- depending on what the boundary lines look
17 like, I will be in one of two possible districts in the West
18 Valley but looking at the majority of my district right now,
19 I'd like to commend the Commission for the work they've done
20 because I think they did a great job and I think that it's
21 truly represented and reflective of our community itself.

22 However the questions that I have related to this
23 are very technical in detail. I have gone through every
24 single precinct that will be in the new District 25, as well
25 as the ones that are currently in there, and I've looked at

1 them to make sure that one minor issue didn't get
2 overlooked, and that is where precincts are being split
3 between one district or another. And I've made a list of
4 the precincts that are in either District 29 or in
5 District 22 or -- or whatever district, I didn't -- I didn't
6 note it on my -- on my paper here but I can -- I can follow
7 up with that if you'd like.

8 Cordony district is split, Vermont precinct is
9 split -- I mean -- I'm sorry, Cordone precinct. Vermont
10 precinct is split, Purple Sage precinct is split, Osuna --
11 Osuna Park precinct is split, Sun Air precinct is split,
12 Youngtown is split, Dysart is split, and Rancho Mirage is
13 split.

14 So each of those districts would create a logistic
15 problem for both Republicans and Democrats as we try to
16 handle our district itself because half of our precinct
17 would be in one district and half would be in another. Some
18 of those areas it looks like today they might be vacant
19 land, but I know that that's not going to prevail in the
20 next two to three years and obviously for the next ten
21 years. So if there's -- if there's a way to handle this,
22 either going through the Board of Supervisors and asking
23 them to redo the precincts or if there's a way for the
24 Commission to handle it -- I'm very well aware that if you
25 move one line, then another line has to move. And -- and I

1 don't necessarily want that to -- to mess things up either,
2 but those are the technical questions I have.

3 So thank you very much.

4 COMMISSIONER LERNER: I'm sorry. (Technical
5 disruption.) I say just please -- these kind of technical
6 things, please submit. It's the same thing as what we've
7 heard from others.

8 SPEAKER DOWLING: Okay.

9 COMMISSIONER LERNER: For everybody who is
10 submitting some things like that, we would love to have you
11 submit your comments. We have lots of opportunities if you
12 go to our website, you can put those in there.

13 SPEAKER DOWLING: Okay. All right. Thank you very
14 much.

15 SPEAKER SANTOS: Hello. So my name is Jordi. My
16 father has worked in Maryvale for years, for my mother who
17 has sold food to our neighbors and my friends for years, and
18 for my friends who have to have gone to middle school, high
19 school and college with me; 43rd and Thomas is where I have
20 oriented my life all since I was young and growing up.
21 Where many of my friends and I have laughed, played, and
22 explored the neighbors that we lived in and the people who
23 are a part of my life, these are my friends and who have
24 changed my life.

25 A sudden change of redistricting will change part

1 of my home, a sudden change where Peoria is added and
2 Glendale is taken away. Peoria isn't a part of my home,
3 Glendale isn't a part of -- Glendale is a part of my home.

4 Getting the representation we deserve and that we
5 know that we need and that we have fought for, like the
6 roads that -- that stop us from getting us to work and the
7 roads that have stopped us from getting to school. We have
8 worked here, we have went to school here, and we have went
9 to church here. We deserve to say that we have lived here
10 in our communities and we deserve to say that Peoria isn't
11 our home and that Glendale is.

12 To keep our home as it has and to keep the people
13 that have worked in these homes, we want our district to
14 stay the same.

15 Thank you.

16 SPEAKER ORTIZ: Hi, everyone. My name is Monica,
17 Monica Ortiz. I have lived or I live in District 3. I went
18 to school there, high school, elementary school and now I am
19 currently going to university in the middle of -- right on
20 the border in Glendale and Peoria, and it's quite a
21 different feeling that -- sorry. It's quite a different
22 feeling than what I'm used to.

23 I know when I'm going over to Peoria, right, like,
24 as soon as I go down the street. So I think that keeping
25 Peoria separate from Glendale and not taking out Glendale is

1 a priority and just to make sure that we're keeping the
2 communities together, since we've already been living that
3 way for so long.

4 Okay. Let's see.

5 This coalition proposed districts more compact than
6 one on the draft map that kept more communities of interest
7 together. This draft version of CD-3 brings interracially
8 polarized voting areas in Peoria while taking out Latino
9 areas of Glendale and adds other cities very little in
10 common such as Peoria to the district. Please take Peoria
11 out of CD-3 and add it back the southeastern part of
12 Glendale.

13 Thank you.

14 SPEAKER WHITE: Good evening, Commissioner, Chair
15 Neuberg, Vice Chair Watchman, Commissioner Lerner. Thank
16 you for being here in Avondale, Commissioner Mehl and
17 Commissioner York.

18 My name is Max White. I live in the city of
19 Avondale and I've been honored to be appointed to
20 Neighborhood and Family Services as well as the Board of
21 Adjustments, and I'm very grateful Ken Weise and Avondale
22 city council has opened up these chambers for you to be
23 here.

24 As many others have said, the city of Avondale is a
25 very beautiful place with the Tres Rios area, many

1 recreational areas, we're very close to Goodyear, and your
2 maps -- we would love to submit a draft map.

3 But I want to invite you to do something
4 revolutionary: Keep cities together in Arizona. There's no
5 reason to split up cities, whether it's Avondale, whether
6 it's Glendale. Keep cities in the same legislative and
7 congressional districts. That makes sense. Do things that
8 make sense for our kids. In Avondale we have Litchfield
9 Elementary School District, Pendergast-Avondale Elementary
10 School District, Littleton Elementary School District,
11 Tolleson Union High School, and Aqua Fria Union High School.

12 We need to keep our kids' interests at the
13 forefront. We're thinking ten years from now, these ten
14 years from now these kids will be voting, some of them, so
15 we want to make sure we put our children's interests ahead
16 of our own.

17 In addition to that, we want to make sure to the
18 extent practicable that we keep the districts even for
19 legislative districts. Thinking of that 238,383, -82 people
20 in each legislative district, make sure those are compact.

21 I would love to continue to recommend draft maps
22 but you have mapping advisors, you have voting rights
23 experts, you have attorneys, please take their advisement.
24 We need to do something revolutionary. Our communities of
25 interest are already here, we're called cities.

1 Thank you so much.

2 MS. NEUMANN: That concludes our speakers here in
3 Avondale. We'll go back to Vice Chair Watchman in Pinetop.

4 VICE CHAIR WATCHMAN: Thank you, Avondale, for
5 wonderful comments; and to those that are here, we
6 appreciate your comments and thank you for joining us this
7 evening.

8 Please go online and submit, if you choose to do
9 so, your map using our software and you can find that at
10 IRC.AZ.gov.

11 We will be in Payson tomorrow and Window Rock to
12 continue these public hearings on the draft maps.

13 So with that we want to say thank you for joining
14 us. Please be safe on your travels home.

15 So the meeting is adjourned and good night
16 everybody. Thank you.

17 (Whereupon the meeting concludes at 8:08 p.m.).

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