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To whom it may concern:

I have lived most of my adult life in the East County. I am now almost 52 years old. My family, where I grew up, lived in Blossom Valley until they passed away. I have lived in El Cajon, La Mesa, San Diego and Alpine. Alpine is a community of people who decided that we wanted to be a little further out from the hustle of the regular cities (not to mention the fact that houses out here are more affordable) but, at the same time, be close enough to be part of the inner city. This has always been the case. We spend our tax dollars at Walmart, Home Depot, the Mall, and all of East County. Our kids go to El Cajon schools. Our community supports rich and poor, young and old. We are the kind of mixture that makes for a great town/city. We are fully a part of El Cajon.

I am writing because I fully DISAGREE with taking Alpine out of the East County District. We do not belong with Julian, El Centro, or any other completely distant town/city. Our lives are very much intertwined with El Cajon, Santee, Lakeside, La Mesa, Rancho San Diego and others. As a matter of fact, I used to work in Imperial Beach for the Federal Fire Department. ALL of my work interactions were in San Diego and the surrounding areas. I'm not sure how anyone could think that we are NOT part of the inner cities.

I am hoping that you actually listen to our arguments. This is VERY important to us. We deserve to be part of what goes on in the East County; not be stuck with the desert cities that function completely differently than we do.

Respectfully  
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