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Dear Commissioners,

My name is Farida Erikat and my family has resided in El Cajon over 20 years. I work at Main Street at the Majdal Center with the Arabic-speaking community. We are immigrants, refugees, or children of immigrants and refugees. El Cajon is mainly comprised of renters, English language learners, and large families, and many prioritize increased affordable housing, English as Second Language services, public transportation, and education access.

I am writing to you today to emphasize the importance of keeping El Cajon united in one district, as well as including San Diego refugee communities together in a single Supervisorial district. As a newcomer community, the majority of us speak a primary language other than English at home, and are limited English proficient. El Cajon is a major refugee resettlement hub, and is likely to resettle more refugees over the next year. It is critical that El Cajon is mapped with other refugee and immigrant communities in the county to ensure that we receive the representation and services we desperately need for successful resettlement.

I see myself in community with City Heights, Lemon Grove, La Mesa, Rancho San Diego, Paradise Hills, Spring Valley, and Encanto and Skyline communities, and we define our COI as BIPOC, Immigrant & Refugee. I do not see myself in community with Santee, Alpine, and Lakeside. El Cajon must remain united in a single District and be included with other refugee communities throughout the county to ensure that our shared needs as BIPOC refugees and immigrants are adequately addressed by the County Board of Supervisors.

Sincerely,
Farida Erikat

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