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To: [COSD, Redistricting](#)
Subject: [External] North County Immigration Task Force Support of Map 13A
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Good Morning,

Please see attached letter in support of Map 13A.

In case there is difficulty opening it, please see below:

Hello Independent Redistricting Commissioners,

North County Immigration Task Force is writing this letter in support of map 13A, and keeping North County as one single voice. A voice that is inclusive of not only on the 78 corridor, but those in the rural areas of North County that travel on the day to day, to and from the 78 corridor for services, resources and other community needs.

NCITF is a volunteer run organization that has been connected to the immigrant community in North County since 2013 and has been responsive to the needs that directly impact immigrant families in North County. Many times, these needs come from community members who require services and support in rural areas like Bonsall, Pala and Fallbrook, and parallel to the same needs of those in Escondido, San Marcos, Vista, Oceanside.

Some of the resources that we have helped connect immigrant community members to and have advocated for include affordable housing, homelessness, access to healthcare, just to name a few. Many of these resources come from support on the county level.

When it comes to advocating for support for the immigrant community on the county level, it has been difficult to address the needs of all of these areas at the same time because we have had to reach out and gain support from two County Supervisors, who often times have differing views on these subjects creating a divide, weakening the opportunities of support for these community members.

Furthermore, the current district 5 is identified as a racially polarized voting district. This is an opportunity for the commission to truly address this issue by staying true to the spirit of the Voting Rights Act and provide equal opportunity for honest representation.

Oceanside, Vista, San Marcos, Escondido, and Fallbrook have similar demographics, including at least 35% Latino, with Fallbrook, Vista and Escondido approaching almost over 50%. There is such a diverse community in North County. This is an opportunity to provide a voice to be heard by uniting with other communities of color and the LGBTQ community to elect a candidate of choice.

This is why North County Immigration Task Force is in support of Map 13A. It respects the

communities of interest in North County which includes our immigrant community and our Latino, AAPI, African American, Native American and LGBTQ communities as well.

In Solidary,

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