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**Subject:** [External] Letter of Support from SDLRLA Re: County of San Diego Redistricting  
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Hello,

Please see letter below and attached to this email. Thank you.

December 1, 2021

County of San Diego  
Independent Redistricting Commission  
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402  
San Diego, CA 92101.

RE: Redistricting of San Diego County

Esteemed Commissioners:

On behalf of the San Diego La Raza Lawyers Association (SDLRLA), we write to the members of the County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission (Commission) to respectfully ask you to ensure the redistricting maps reflect San Diego County's growing Latino population by (1) maintaining the South Bay majority Latino District and (2) keeping together the Latino community in a North County Supervisorial District.

SDLRLA is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the cause of equality, empowerment and justice for Latino legal professionals and fostering diversity in the legal profession. We serve as the only regional San Diego bar association focused on the issues faced by San Diego's Latino community and Latino legal professionals. The primary endeavor of SDLRLA is to improve the lives of Latinos in the County of San Diego through service and advocacy. Specifically, a goal of SDLRLA is to provide for the professional and social interaction among our members and other community-based organizations in order to improve the delivery and access of legal services to the county's Latino community, and to strongly advocate positions on judicial, economic, political, and social issues that impact the Latino community.

SDLRLA recognizes that Latinos living in San Diego County have experienced historic disparities and inequities, with little access to major political institutions. And despite the County's large Latino population, our large population did not translate to increased political power, or any political representation at the supervisorial level until the most recent election in November 2020 when District One (1) elected Supervisor Vargas. Unfortunately, North County's large Latino and immigrant population remains blatantly and disproportionately underserved and underrepresented. In an effort to address this political inequity, we ask that you keep the North County Latino community of interest under a single North County Supervisorial District that includes the cities and shared communities of interest of Oceanside, Camp Pendleton, Vista, San Marcos, Escondido, Fallbrook, Bonsall, Rainbow, and surrounding unincorporated communities. This clustering of cities and unincorporated communities that comprises the coastal, urban and rural communities, the transportation

corridors, the chambers of commerce, and the vast network of businesses and organizations that make up North County will ensure our San Diego County's Latino voters in South and North County are given a fair opportunity to elect candidates of their choice while meeting the Commission's compliance with the Voting Rights Act.

SDLRLA remains wholly committed to addressing systemic issues that affect the economic, social, and political inequity faced by Latinos and for these reasons, SDLRLA enthusiastically expresses its support for the Commission's Draft Map 13a, as it complies with the Voting Rights Act while it comes closest to representing districts that would ensure San Diego County's Latino voters are given a fair opportunity to elect candidates of their choice in South and North County.

Respectfully,  
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pedroza", written in a cursive style.

Irving Pedroza, Esq.  
2021-2022 President