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Hello, my name is Maritza Garcia and I am a resident of Logan Heights. My community consists of many Latino cultures who are often very underrepresented. Our strong sense of community and similar values make us united. More broadly, my community is really all South County, from Barrio Logan all the way to the border. I hope this commission draws a South County Border District that upholds the Voting Rights Act and includes all of San Diego's border communities from San Ysidro across the international border. It is important that we have this type of district because it will ensure that our best interests are always at the forefront of conversations. It takes more than knowing the laws to effectively represent my community, we need people who also live in the same type of community and value what we value. A district along the border would give voice to so many of our South County residents with families and jobs on both sides of the border. Our neighborhoods share so much in common. We face many of the same challenges which include quality education and pollution from the port and border. One of the biggest obstacles we face in sharing the district with Point Loma and Coronado is that our voices are rarely heard. We face constant racism in those communities and yet we are supposed to share the same district? Remember when Coronado thought it was okay to throw tortillas at the rival basketball team who happened to be comprised of all Latino kids and even went as far as to defend themselves with "tradition"? We are tired of this blatant disrespect for our voices, and it is time for you to fix it and make it fair. Working families in Latino South County deserve a strong, equal voice and we will not stop fighting until you make that happen.

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