

BRULENE CO-OPERATIVE APARTMENTS, INC.

34-10 94TH STREET

JACKSON HEIGHTS, N.Y. 11372

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NYC Districting Commission
253 Broadway, 7th Floor
New York, NY 10007

Honorable Members of NYC Districting Commission.

Thank you for coming to Queens County to hear our concerns. My name is Mary Vavruska. I reside at 34-10 94 Street, Jackson Heights, Queens in Brulene Cooperative Apartments, and I am President of Brulene Cooperative. Adjacent to Brulene Cooperative are Southridge Section 1, 2, 3 and 4 Cooperative Apartments; and Northridge Section 1, 2, and 3 Cooperative Apartments. These cooperative apartments were developed in the early 1950's. Throughout this half century we have worked together on issues that affected our building maintenance and our quality of life.

Our proudest achievement in all these years is our NORC, Naturally Occurring Retirement Community, established in 1999. It is significant that eight separate cooperative corporations worked to create this NORC and have supported it through service and financial commitments. This effort clearly establishes us as a community within the Jackson Heights community.

One of the objectives of redistricting is to assure that populations with a commonality of interests are located within the same Council District. Our objective is to provide services through NORC to our aging population so they can continue to enjoy the quality of life that our cooperative community provides. We believe this can best be accomplished with all eight cooperatives being included in the 25th Council District.

We request that the 25th Council District include the Brulene Cooperative, Southridge Section 1, 2, 3, and 4 Cooperatives and Northridge 1,2,and 3 Cooperatives.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Vavruska, Brulene Cooperative
on behalf of the NORC Community of
Brulene Cooperative,
Southridge Section 1,2,3, and 4,
Northridge Section 1, 2, and 3