

My name is Dr. Tim Law, a 40-year resident of Brooklyn Bensonhurst. My remarks on NYC council redistricting would be as follows:

1. In the meantime, we have four city council districts (43,44, 47, and 50) in Brooklyn Dyker Heights, Bensonhurst, Sunset Park, and Gravesend. According to CUNY Center for Urban Research, between 2000 and 2010, the Asian population in these areas increased 57% and 19,747 more people identified themselves as Asian.
2. Because of cultural and language background, the Asian population are more comfortable to share their feelings and communicate with each other concerning their problems. Most importantly, they can share information about governmental benefits, entitlements, and applications.
3. No matter they go to work, school, or other places, most Asians are settling down along the subway lines N, D, and F where they can easily travel from Manhattan to Brooklyn Sunset Park, Bensonhurst, Gravesend and Dyker Heights.
4. Since 1990, most Asian Families have chosen to live in the aforementioned neighborhoods because of the school districts (20, 21, and 22) can provide their children with different special programs, such as ESL, Bilingual, Music, and Gifted and Talented classes. etc. In conclusion, I strongly believe there should be only three, not four, new NYC council districts in Dyker Heights, Bensonhurst, Sunset Park, and Gravesend based on our residents' language and cultural background and educational needs. The proposed districts will be more compact and much more easier to understand.