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My name is Pui San Wong and I have lived on [REDACTED], Elmhurst, NY 11373 for over 25 years. I am currently in City Council District 25 (CM Krishnan) and would like to be redistricted to District 30 (CM Holden).

Community interest and concerns of residents along 51st Avenue on the South side of Queens Boulevard are more aligned with Maspeth than Corona/Jackson Heights. We want a city council representative who understand and fights for the needs and issues of home owners as compared to renters/tenants.

The children who live in this area of the Boulevard are zoned for the schools PS/IS 102, IS 73, IS 5 on this side of the boulevard and do not need to cross over the Boulevard of “death”. We have the commonality with Maspeth residents of challenging higher property taxes, adapting to the ever increasing city agency rules and regulation and engaging sanitation to keep our neighborhood clean of litter and graffiti. Like Maspeth, residents in this part of Elmhurst own our own homes, and have lived in the area for decades. We built a community of getting to know the neighbors on our block and watch out for each other.

Residents in this area advocate for funding to be prioritized towards public safety, increasing patrols to deter break-ins in our homes/automobiles and resources to protect seniors as well as the neighborhood from being victimized. In addition, improved street lighting and police cameras can be the first step in helping to stop crime.

With limited resources, it is hard for CM Krishnan to fight for competing interests. His base is Jackson Heights and Elmhurst, Queens Blvd North side. Their interests defer from Elmhurst, Queens Blvd South side.

Please support redrawing these district lines so that this sector can receive the resources it needs and deserves.

Respectfully submitted,

Pui San Wong