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Thank you so much redistricting committee for restoring Red Hook back with Carroll Gardens and Gowanus. As the Presidents of Red Hook East and West we are writing to ask you to not fold to the political pressure on this issue. Red Hook and Sunset Park are not working in sync on any issues and quite honestly we are not majority Latino but we are majority American Black's and descendants of slaves and Indians. We do and have worked in sync with Gowanus and continue to do so through the Gowanus Neighborhood Coalition for Justice and our environmental issues. We were not informed by our City Councilmember that these hearings were even going on and we feel like our councilmember is more concerned with her political alignment than what we have to say on this matter. It appears Alexa Aviles picks and chooses what testimony she wants us to give and I find Please except this as our testimony on this matter.

Thank you for restoring Red Hook back as part of Gowanus and Carroll Gardens which is where it originally was back in the 1980s and 1990s.

Sincerely yours,  
Karen Blondel  
Red Hook West Resident Association President

Frances Brown  
Red Hook East Resident Association President