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July 26, 2022

Dear Districting Commission,

Asian Wave Alliance, a nonpartisan group that educates Asian voters, applauds the Commission on creating a majority Asian district in Brooklyn. The draft map released on July 14, 2022 lives up to the promise of the Voting Rights Act, Section 2, which protects minority voters, ensures communities of interest are kept together and avoids partisan gerrymandering. This will give the growing Asian community an equal opportunity to participate in the political process and elect candidates of our choosing.

According to the 2020 Census, the highest growth was in Brooklyn, up 9.2% in the past 10 years. This was unquestionably fueled by the Asian community which grew 43% or by 420,000.

For decades, Asian residents in Bay Ridge, Sunset Park, Dyker Heights, and Bensonhurst have been splintered across four city council districts, diluting our representation and subverting our priorities and concerns. This draft map will unite and connect the Asian communities and allow their voice be heard at the City Council.

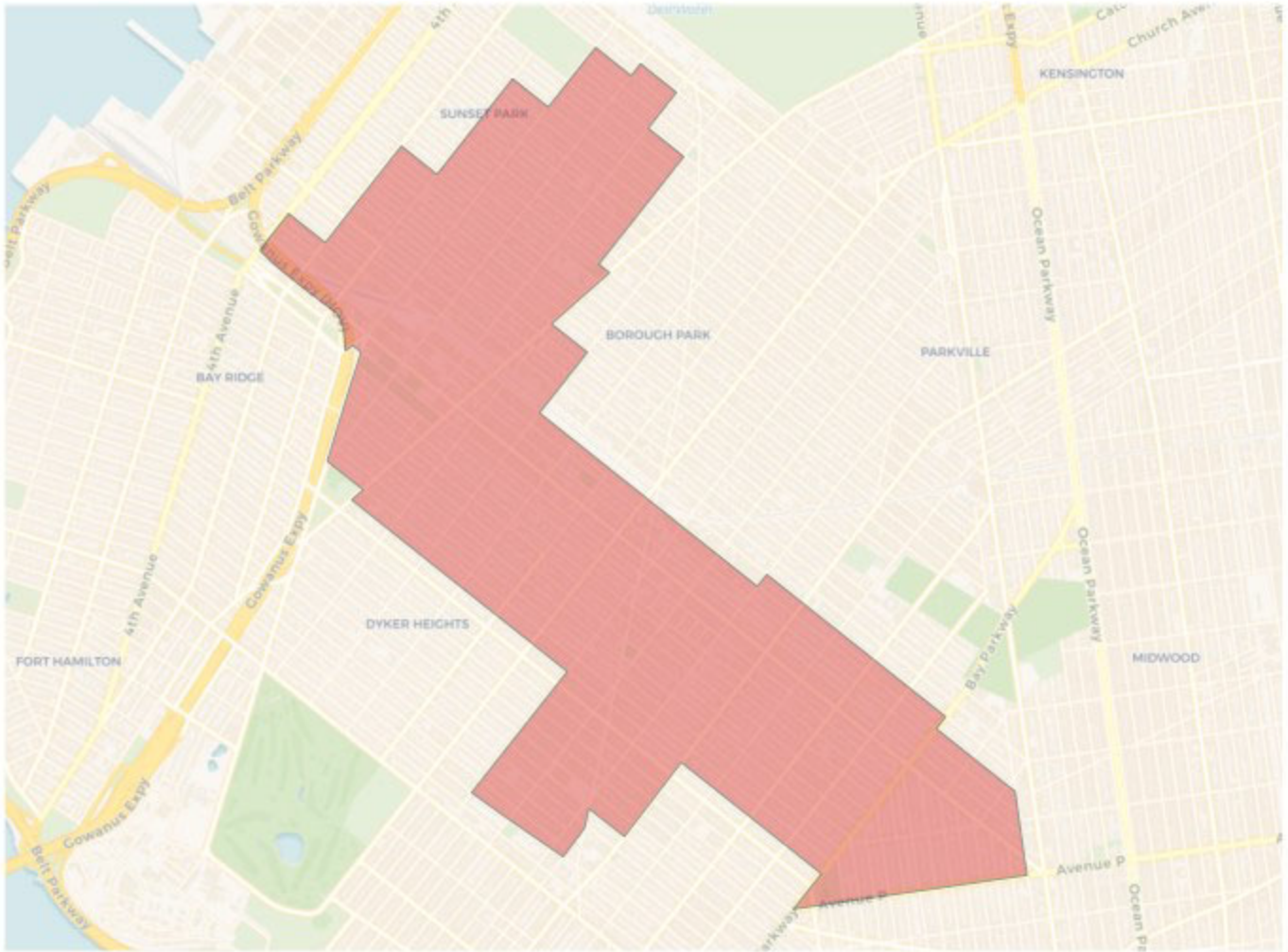
Thank you.

Sincerely,  
Yiatin Chu  
President  
[Asian Wave Alliance](#)



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Population	Deviation	Deviation %	Other	Other %	Latino	Latino %	Asian	Asian %	Black	Black %
172,595	-287	-0.2%	42,444	24.6%	30,445	17.6%	98,047	56.8%	1,659	1.0%
Total VAP	Other VAP	Other VAP %	Latino VAP	Latino VAP %	Asian VAP	Asian VAP %	Black VAP	Black VAP %		
132,104	33,775	25.6%	21,910	16.6%	75,028	56.8%	1,391	1.1%		