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Hello,

As President of Hell's Kitchen Block Association (West 33rd to West 36th Street between 8th and 10th Avenues) I am requesting, on before of our association, that our District 3 and Hell's Kitchen community NOT be redistricted.

Hell's Kitchen is a west side community and we enjoy sharing a district with West Village, Chelsea, the Garment District and the theatre district. We are proud of our community and feel dividing us into separate districts will have a negative impact on how we work with our elected officials. I have worked extensively with District 3 city council and Community Board 4 for the last seven years re the Hudson Yards project.

Our community still suffers from the racist and divisive Lincoln Tunnel construction that divided our community simply because we were a majority immigrant population. We ask that you not divide us again.

As a community we speak as one voice. Leave District 3 as it is.

Thank you.

Sincerely.

Julia Campanelli President Hells Kitchen Block Association