

H-I East 45th Street Block Association 1238 East 45th St Brooklyn, NY 11234 Facebook Page: H-I East 45th St Block Association

Dear Members of the NYC Districting Commission,

My name is Violine Roberty and I represent the East 45th St Block Association. I am writing regarding my opposition to the recently released maps that the NYC Redistricting Commissioner drafted for Council District 45, which will remove a large portion of our Flatbush, Flatlands and East Flatbush sections of our district. I have lived in District 45 for over 30 years and have been block association president in Council District 45 for over 12 years. I have seen both how important unity and contiguity of Council District 45 have been a major resource for our institution as we serve a large portion of predominantly Caribbean and black and brown constituents from the Flatlands and East Flatbush areas.

I am against any changes to the current map of district 45 but if you must make changes, please consider the effect the changes will have on our mostly immigrant population. The areas that were cut from District 45 should be restored back to the district. Consider new maps that are provided by our district council member which includes provisions for expanding the district further into the East Flatbush, Flatlands and Canarsie areas to meet the criteria of the charter and increase our population but also to include more healthcare institutions, parks and senior center options for the district.

Without the areas that were cut by your commission, the common ties of a growing Caribbean and South Asian population in our district will be compromised.

I hope you all take the time to reconsider the disparities represented on the preliminary map and restore the East Flatbush and Remsen Village Neighborhoods back into Council District 45 and have them remain the new district lines and expand the district further northeast into East Flatbush, Flatlands and Canarsie.

Enclosed is a map by Council Member Farah Louis that includes proposed map and new areas that will expand schools, health care access and park space in Council District 45.

Sincerely,

Violine Roberty
East 45th St Block Association



H-I East 45th Street Block Association 1238 East 45th St Brooklyn, NY 11234 Facebook Page: H-I East 45th St Block Association

