



TWO TREES

Management Co. LLC

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To the NYC Districting Commission:

As a large landowner and owner of hundreds of market rate and affordable apartments along the South Williamsburg Waterfront, we ask the commission to reconsider its proposed boundaries for Districts 33 and 34. We have submitted an alternative map that we believe better unifies South Williamsburg in District 33 and Northside of Williamsburg in District 34.

The key responsibility of the redistricting commission is to keep neighborhoods intact. Unfortunately, the preliminary maps newly divide multiple neighborhoods in North Brooklyn: South Williamsburg and the Northside of Williamsburg are each fully split up.

The neighborhood in South Williamsburg is a self-evident community of interest on historical, ethnic, economic, cultural and, of course, religious grounds.

Similarly, the Northside Williamsburg community has common interests and identity. This area has seen tremendous development over the past couple decades and is a cohesive neighborhood with distinct socioeconomic and cultural characteristics.

The new residential developments and commercial businesses across the Northside have common set of challenges and needs: from more park space to street safety to resiliency. This is a rapidly expanding neighborhood that needs a strong voice in the Council to protect our interests. Dividing the community in two will limit likely advocacy to meet the needs of the neighborhood.

Instead, we ask the Commission to consider the attached map.

Thanks for your time and attention on this important issue.

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