

Dear NYC Districting Commission,

Our Boston Road Plaza is a NYCHA senior development with 235 apartments, home to 275 residents with average income of less than \$20,000.

Our low-income seniors are the most vulnerable population. Pushing them out of District 13 into District 15, a poor district where over 60,000 of its residents live in poverty. In the recent report by Institute for Children, Poverty and Homelessness report (ICPHusa.org), District 15 has a poverty rate of over 35%.

Adding more poor people and people with complex needs to a poor District will not only overstretch the district 15 constituents' services but funding will be limited or nonexistent. The city council member for District 15 will have to choose among the huge pool of poor residents to fund and advocate including many of its existing NYCHA residents which includes Parkside Houses (879 units).

What is the most concerning issue is how the map was gerrymandering to protect party and incumbency over the best interest of our NYCHA residents.

As President of Boston Road Plaza, I ask the redistricting commission to leave our Boston Road Plaza in district 13 as it is currently as it remains a safe, affordable housing with access to social and community services.

Respectfully yours, *LAURENNE TALBERT*
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President of Resident Association

Boston Road Plaza