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September 23, 2022

Dr. John Flateau Executive Director, NYC Districting Commission 253 Broadway, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10007

Dear Executive Director Flateau,

I am writing on behalf of the people of the 46th Council District to express my sincere gratitude to you and the entire Districting Commission for your exceptional efforts to create fair, non-partisan City Council maps. I truly appreciate the entire commission and staff for their exemplary public service and hard work during this grueling process.

It was clear the commission listened to the input from the people and endeavored to incorporate their wants and needs into the maps. I also applaud the commission for steadfastly adhering to the criteria set by the U.S. Constitution, the Federal Voting Rights Act, and the City Charter.

While the maps rejected on September 22, 2022 did not include all of what the people of the 46<sup>th</sup> Council District desired and strongly advocated for, I understand that in a process that includes 50 other council districts, getting all we wanted was highly unlikely. However, on behalf of my constituents in the small area of Canarsie which was still left out of the 46<sup>th</sup> Council District in the September 22 map, allow me to make a final appeal for their inclusion in the next draft. I ask that the area bounded by East 80<sup>th</sup> Street and East 99<sup>th</sup> Street between Foster Avenue and Farragut Road be included within the 46<sup>th</sup> Council District in the commission's next map submission.

Again, on behalf of my constituents and me please accept our most sincere thanks for your work as part of the districting commission.

Sincerely,

Mercedes Narcisse Member of the City Council