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Testimony of State Senator Brad Hoylman To the New York City Redistricting Commission

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Thank you for the opportunity to submit additional comments to the Redistricting Commission. I am State Senator Brad Hoylman, and I represent State Senate District 27 which includes Hell's Kitchen.

I previously testified to support keeping Hell's Kitchen as united as possible. I thank the Redistricting Commission for their work on the revised maps, which reflected the input of the Hell's Kitchen community and only divided Hell's Kitchen between two City Council Districts.

I am writing today to urge the Redistricting Commission to consider a change in the lines to keep several additional blocks as part of City Council District 3. I am requesting that the northern border be moved to West 57th Street between Broadway and Tenth Avenue, then run down Tenth Avenue to West 54th Street, and follow 54th Street west to the Hudson River.

With these lines, businesses, residents, and block associations that are an essential part of the Hell's Kitchen community could stay united in one City Council district, while the Harborview Terrace Apartments (located on 56th Street between Tenth and Eleventh Avenue) could remain part of City Council District 6.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.