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From: D Meizlik [REDACTED] >
Sent: Sunday, October 16, 2022 5:05 PM
To: Public Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Redistricting Concerns

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am aware of and grateful that the Redistricting Commission voted down the most recent (September 22nd) updated proposal for the Redistricting Map. In particular, I remain extremely apprehensive about the updated proposal for District 24.

Unfortunately, the Commission failed to 'keep intact neighborhoods and communities with established ties of common interest and association, whether historical, racial, economic, ethnic, religious or other.' As a member of the Orthodox Jewish Community, I am shocked that after so many pleas to preserve and keep our community together, the Commission presented a proposal that once again does the exact opposite.

District 24 in its current configuration is home to tens of thousands of Orthodox Jews, thousands of Orthodox Jewish families, almost a hundred Orthodox Synagogues, and many other Jewish Community centers and ritual facilities. Every one of these facilities is utilized every day of the week, multiple times a day; children and adults alike. By any meaningful metric, the Orthodox Jewish Community of District 24 is in a sustained period of growth. I am therefore compelled to state the following:

The updated proposed redistricting maps for City Council are not in our community interest in their current form. The Jewish community in the current configuration of Council District 24 is composed of the combined Sefardi and Ashkenazi communities. Our two communities are unified in interest and location, each with members and shuls interspersed amongst each other. We are one contiguous chain linking together Kew Garden Hills, Fresh Meadows, Hillcrest, and Jamaica Estates. Though there are pockets of our community in other areas as well, this chain of neighborhoods represents the largest Jewish voice of Queens, and cutting any portion out would result in an unacceptable disenfranchisement.

The proposed change to the current District map completely disregards the reality on the ground. It artificially and needlessly separates many community members from the community facilities that serve them. Furthermore, the seemingly arbitrary lines harmfully cut off one community and congregation from its fellow community and congregation. The net result is a weakened Orthodox Jewish community, structurally, demographically, and politically.

As if to add insult to injury, the section that has been added to District 24 in the updated proposed redistricting map is the only part of Rego Park without an Orthodox Jewish community! Never mind that the proposed area shares no common interest or association, it's not even geographically logical. Had the proposal instead added immediately westward and included sections of Forest Hills up until 108th Street, it would have been more understandable. At least in that direction there is a very large Orthodox Jewish presence with common communities and established ties of interest and association. This would also have made more sense geographically due to the connecting Jewel Avenue, rather than adding the only part of Rego Park which is separated from the current District 24 by Flushing Meadow Corona Park, the Grand Central Parkway and the Van Wyck Expressway.

Finally, I cannot understand the Commission's desire to dissociate from Kew Gardens Hills (KGH) community the neighborhoods of Cedar Grove and Flushing on the Hill. These communities have always been part of the KGH and Queens College Communities. Queens College itself has thousands upon thousands of Jewish students. It makes no sense to cut them off from the larger District and place them in a District with absolutely no geographic or cultural connection.

For these reasons I strongly believe that the redistricting proposals' continued disregard for the Jewish Community are damaging to the community's very fabric , its unified voice, and its interests. I implore the Redistricting Committee to keep to the criteria it is charged to uphold.

Sincerely,
D. Meizlik concerns

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From: SueEllen Doria [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 16, 2022 10:02 PM
To: Public Testimony; speakeradams@council.nyc.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Robert Holden's district

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To Whom It May Concern,

As a concerned tax paying citizen I'm voicing my concerns about the redistricting being proposed. I'm a resident of Middle Village and have had the pleasure of Councilman Robert Holden representing our district. He has done so many wonderful things for our community and he deserves to keep representing our district!

I am not on board with this redistricting!!

Sincerely,
Sue Doria

[REDACTED]

From: Patricia Ewald [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 17, 2022 1:45 AM
To: Public Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] No to Glendale Council District Split!

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Dear NYC Districting Commission,

I am a resident of Glendale and am alarmed to learn that the map you attempted to pass on Thursday, September 22nd, cut my community in half, and took me out of the 30th Council District. The community of Glendale has similar needs to that of Middle Village, Maspeth, and Ridgewood, and therefore should remain with these neighborhoods in the 30th Council District.

I ask that the Commission reconsider the idea of splitting Glendale in half, take into account the needs of our community, and keep us in the 30th Council District. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Patricia Ann Erdmann Ewald

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From: Dhondup Phuntsok [REDACTED] >
Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 11:51 AM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; Public Testimony; [REDACTED] m; district26
@council.nyc.gov; Jwilkerson@council.nyc.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan community center in District 26

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Sincerely,

DHONDUP Phuntsok

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Pasang Ljssllb <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 1:37 PM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; Public Testimony
Cc: District26@council.nyc.gov; [REDACTED]m
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan Community Center in District 26. Fix NYC Districting Map

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CC:
District26@council.nyc.gov
JWilkerson@council.nyc.gov
THankerson@council.nyc.gov

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Sincerely,

Pasang Chungdak

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From: Sonam Lhamo <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 1:08 PM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; district26@council.nyc.gov; [REDACTED]; Public
Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL]

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Dear Speaker Adrienne Adams,

I am Namdol Dakpa, I live in Astoria, district 26. I am a Tibetan-American and a member of the Tibetan Community Center in Woodside, Queens. I am writing this as a minority within a minority, the larger Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community. The Tibetan community in New York City, over 25,000 community members, mainly resettled in Queens' District 26, after the Immigration Act of 1990, as a result of occupation of our home country, Tibet.

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Sincerely,
Dakpa

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namdol

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From: Dorsim Key [REDACTED] >
Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 2:20 PM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; Public Testimony; district26@council.nyc.gov;
[REDACTED]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan community center in district 26 Fix NYC districting Map

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Sincerely,
Dorsim

[Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone](#)

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From: Jampa Wangchuk [REDACTED] >
Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 1:59 PM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; District26@council.nyc.gov; Public Testimony; [REDACTED]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan Community In district 26, Fix The Map

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Jampa Wangchuk

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From: Jigme Sangay [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 12:25 PM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; Public Testimony; district26@council.nyc.gov; [REDACTED]; Jwilkerson@council.nyc.gov; Thankerson@council.nyc.gov
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Sent from my iPhone

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Sent: Saturday, October 22, 2022 12:30 PM
To: Public Testimony
Cc: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; [REDACTED]; jwilkerson@council.nyc.gov; District26@council.nyc.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan Community in district 26 please fix the map

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@council.nyc.gov; jwilkers@council.nyc.gov; Thankerso.@council.nyc.gov
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@council.nyc.gov; JWilkerson@council.nyc.gov
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[REDACTED]

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Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 9:11 AM
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Sent from my iPhone

[REDACTED]

From: PG Dechen [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 11:43 AM
To: Public Testimony
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[REDACTED]

From: Sherab Pamo [REDACTED] >
Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 11:38 AM
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Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 12:46 PM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; district26@council.nyc.gov; lizouyang@gmail.com; Public Testimony
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan Community Center in District 26, fix the map

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[REDACTED]

From: Tenzin Namgyal [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 8:28 AM
To: SpeakerAdams@council.nyc.gov; Public Testimony; [REDACTED]
Cc: District26@council.nyc.gov; JWilkerson@council.nyc.gov; THankerson@council.nyc.gov
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Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 1:03 PM
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Contact no. 3478372920

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From: YESHI TENZIN TENZIN [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 23, 2022 11:16 AM
To: Public Testimony
Cc: speakeradams@council.nyc.gov; district26@council.nyc.gov; [REDACTED]
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Keep Tibetan community center in District 26, Fix the redistricting map

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4. Our community was forced out of our own home country by the Chinese Communist Party and we have suffered since 1949 and continue to suffer genocide in [our homeland Tibet occupied](#). Losing [political representation and power](#) in District 26 will be traumatic for our population emotionally too.

Like me, our friends, family, and relatives still live in Sunnyside and Astoria while I live in Woodside near the Tibetan Community Center. For us, Council District 26, is a new home where we can educate our younger generation, access resources in our language, and where we can finally preserve our language, identity, and culture.

I sincerely hope you will call on the Districting Commission to keep 57-12 32nd Ave. (The Tibetan Community Center) in District 26. I look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,

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