Dear Redistricting Committee

I am writing to you to address certain issues with respect to the maps for Supervisorial District 4. As a longtime resident of Rose Garden/Shasta area and the former Supervisor for District 4 I believe it important to keep the City of Santa Clara, Rose Garden and Shasta Hanchett in the same district. I am also the current executive director of the BAYMEC Community Foundation.

These neighborhoods/areas have been in the same district for many years and border each other. They share a common proximity to the airport and Guadalupe Park.

There are many places of worship such as Westminster Church and Temple Emanuel that border these neighborhoods for which many congregants live.

The San Jose Unified School District, Lincoln High School, Hoover Middle School and Trace Elementary service students from all of these areas.

The demographics of these areas overlap as there are in my experience a growing diversity of ethnic groups and age groups in this area.

There is also a significant LGBTQ community in Santa Clara, Rose Garden and Shasta Hanchett which is not surprising considering that the Billy DeFrank center is located in Shasta Hanchett.

I encourage the commission to keep Santa Clara, Rose Garden and Shasta Hanchett in Supervisorial District 4.

Thank you.

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