

Dear Commissioners,

I hope you take my opinion into consideration when it relates to our state's redistricting process. I find it imperative that we have competitive, proportional and, minority-majority seats across the state. Therefore I find it critical that this commission finalize a map as soon as possible. Here are a couple of areas I hope you take into consideration.

- 1) When it comes to the New York area it is critical that the commission keeps districts compact. Districts like the current Tenth should not be drawn, and boroughs should be kept together as much as possible.
- 2) As a Rockland Resident, I strongly urge you to group us in a district with parts of Orange and Westchester counties. These counties have similar interests to us, and a competitive district would be in our best interest as voters.
- 3) Other than the Buffalo, Syracuse, Rochester and Albany areas all upstate districts should have a republican lean so rural residents can have a voice in congress.

I hope you take these recommendations into consideration when finalizing your map. Please look at a map I have provided below. Thank you.

