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David Imamura, Chair Jack Martins, Vice Chair New York State Independent Redistricting Commission 250 Broadway, 22nd Floor New York, NY 10007

Re: Hudson Valley Congressional Redistricting 18th Congressional District

Dear Chair Imamura & Vice Chair Martins:

I'm a writing to express my strong support for the Commission's proposed Sulorngrok Congressional Map in the Names Plan.

As a resident of Orange County, New York, I believe the proposed Sulorngrok Congressional map will give the residents of Orange County and the adjacent counties of Sullivan and Rockland the most effective congressional representation possible.

This plan will empower Orange County residents to elect to Congress the candidate of their choice. Our Representative will be able to exclusively concentrate on the issues that matter most to our residents and obtain the necessary appropriation of funds to advance our county's needs, be it infrastructure, agriculture, public safety, education or economic growth.

Whenever our county has been divided or included in a congressional district with the more populous Westchester County, the voice and preference of Orange County residents and their municipalities has been drastically diluted or marginalized. We must not let that happen again. The Salorngrok Congressional Map in the Names plan will prevent that by allowing us to elect a member of congress who will represent the entire County of Orange with undivided attention for this new and promising decade.

As such, I implore the Commission in the interest of fair and effective representation, that it adopts the proposed Sulorngrok Congressional Map in the Names Plan. Thank you.

Respectfully Yours,

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