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Re: Redistricting Map Concern

My concern regarding the redistricting map in Far Rockaway, Queens, is that it will divide and create unequitable distribution of the services that will be provided for the next decade. Far Rockaway low-income families, single mothers, and small business owner's lifestyle depend heavily on how the public services are distributed base on the taxes that are generated in each district.

My support is to leave the districts the same, there will be more community members affected by the proposed redistricting plan. As the Executive Director of REMA4US, I heard various concerns from business and property owners that oppose this plan. Business owners are the ones who generate the taxes in the area and the government use those taxes to return them back into the community in the form of services, and it is done according to the district map.

By changing the actual district map, it will change the allocation of services to those that generate the taxes, that ultimately will end going into a different district from the one that generated them.

Hopefully, the minds that will read this and other concerns, will be guided by their wisdom to do what is right for most of the people in our community, and can serve as a light to enforce a more equitable distribution of services to people that vote, pay taxes, and can get in return what is right for them.

Trust in God,

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