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<u>Public Comment to the New York State Independent Redistricting Commission in opposition to the proposed geographic division of the 44th NYS Assembly District</u>

It has recently come to my attention that the Independent Redistricting Commission has proposed new district lines that would cut big portions of Windsor Terrace, Kensington, Park Slope and Ditmas Park out of my home assembly district - the 44th Assembly District.

I strongly oppose this plan. The 44th Assembly District should not be chopped up!

I encourage the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep the neighborhoods of the 44th Assembly District intact as they currently exist and have existed for over 30 years. Please do not divide Park Slope, Windsor Terrace, and Kensington. We are one community connected by schools, houses of worship, mass transit and parks.

The currently proposed redistricting plan would marginalize citizens in my Assembly District, and it will weaken our voices by spreading our neighborhood's citizens among several Assembly representatives.

Please take our neighborhood and community's long-standing identity and cohesiveness into consideration as you outline the new Assembly districts.

Thank you.

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