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My name is Kim Fraczek, Director of Sane Energy Project. We represent over 20,000 people in New York State, and nearly 1,200 of our active members are in the affected Assembly Districts 50 and 53 for which I am presenting testimony. I am also a resident and voter for two decades in Assembly District 53.

**I urge The Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) of New York State to commit to the health of New Yorkers and our climate and not approve a redistricting plan that would cut Assembly District 50 in half and AD 53 from neighboring AD50.** These two districts have harmoniously acted in the past several years to protect constituents from the historic industrial harms for generations from North America's largest terrestrial oil spill on Newtown Creek by ExxonMobil, and currently support residents' opposition to National Grid's massive fracked gas expansion, when our laws tell us we must reduce gas expansion. National Grid, is a UK-based corporation with a CEO, John Pettigrew, that makes a salary of \$4,300 **PER HOUR** based on a 40-hour work week, 8-hour work day. **The current district representatives deeply understand and live in the districts where these hazards are, and we MUST not allow this district to be handed over to an Assemblymember who does not live in the area and understand the deep and personal history and issues to us as residents.**

**We are very concerned about representation if the redistricting is allowed to go forth in Assembly Districts 50 and 53 that this will be a mistake for environmental justice, and our climate law.**

As New York representatives, the IRC must abide by the mandates of the Climate Leadership Community Protection Act (CLCPA) passed in 2019, particularly sections 7-2 and 7-3 — and work to decrease the state's fossil fuels, and be our partners in building not just a renewable future but an energy future based on racial and economic justice, which it is not right now.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim Fraczek". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Kim Fraczek, Sane Energy Project