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IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE ABOUT SENATORS NEW DISTRICT:

* New Population is approximately 343,045 (Current District 10 = 346,498). While this is still a deviation from the avg. District population of 320,655, there are several communities of interest within our district that we want to AVOID breaking up.
* Richmond Hill’s population in particular would be split into three different Senate districts as proposed by the Commission. These constituents have a large voting population, and do not wish to be gerrymandered out of equal and fair representation. In the Senator’s proposed district map, we would relinquish some oversight over that region, however we do not wish to leave those predominantly South Asian and endo-Caribbean populations “out in the cold”. They deserve a voice
* In the map we have drawn out, we would also acquire the Aqueduct racetrack, as well as a small portion of the Springfield Gardens/Laurelton community; this idea was also proposed in the Senate “Names” plan by the IRC. We are in agreement because it promotes “contiguity” (keeping bordering homes and blocks intact, as opposed to cherry-picking blocks and landmarks to serve particular political interests).
* The Eastern and Western populations of the Far Rockaway peninsula are also vastly different as far as income, socio-economic interest and housing availability/type entail. We do not want to miss out on funding and government aid/resources by grouping the two populations into one. Keeping communities of interest intact is again, a top priority. The clean line/cut off point of the Cross Bay Blvd. bridge would also help promote compactness (avoidance of odd shapes and lines).