Independent Redistricting Commission

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Re: Keeping the Village of Tarrytown Whole and Respecting Its Communities of Interest

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Thomas D Butler. I am the current Mayor of Tarrytown; and my wife and I have lived in the Village of Tarrytown, Town of Greenburgh, which is currently in the 17th Congressional District, for the past 37 years. I respectfully ask that the Commission keep Tarrytown and the Town of Greenburgh within a single congressional district, so as to no split-up these municipalities. and to ensure continued efficiencies in voting, Federal representation, service sharing and access to local agencies.

Furthermore, in drawing the congressional map for this area, I ask the Commission to keep together the following communities of interest: Tarrytown and Rockland County, Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow, the Rivertowns, and the towns and villages on the Eastern and Western side of the

**Keep the Westchester Rivertowns With Rockland**: The towns and villages along the eastern and western side of the Hudson River are a community of interest, with several connections between them. Tarrytown is the gateway to Westchester, a Village that we love and cherish; a truly great place for all people to live, work and enjoy. It’s the connection between Westchester County and Rockland County.

**Keep the Rivertowns Together**: Hastings on Hudson, Dobbs Ferry, Irvington, Tarrytown, Sleepy Hollow, Briarcliff, Ossining, Croton and Peekskill form a single community of interest. Our Rivertown communities are rich in history with great waterfronts, open spaces, parks, restaurants and local shopping. Our Rivertowns are truly a tourist destination to the Hudson Valley.

**Keep Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow Together**: Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow arecommunity in interest for several reasons. It’s the area where the legend of Sleepy Hollow began. It’s historical and rich in culture. We are both villages (communities) of diversity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mayor Thomas D. Butler Jr.

Village of Tarrytown