

My name is Elisabeth Jaycox. I live on McGuinness Blvd. in Greenpoint, North Brooklyn. The proposed plan to split my community of Greenpoint into two districts is ill conceived. I have been an active member of this community for 18 years and while I visit Queens, I know that the issues of the residents of Greenpoint and those of our neighbors across the Newtown Creek in Queens are very different. Our schools, our environmental issues, our roots in Polish culture, and our cohesion as a community that lives, works, eats, and shops here are best served by representatives dedicated to our lives and thriving right in Greenpoint– not in Queens. By dividing our community in half, you are taking away our rights to be represented by and communicate regularly and easily with elected officials who have our community's best interests in mind. This feels very wrong to me. By what logic could you use census data to support dividing our community-- not along geographical, cultural, community or even Borough lines? I am completely opposed to the proposed redistricting of Greenpoint and urge you to reconsider a more fair, cohesive, and representative district for me and my North Brooklyn neighbors. Thank you for your consideration.