

Brenda A. Wise

From: Angela Dupin <dupina@nycap.rr.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:28 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

To whom it may concern,

Please keep the Congressional district together as it has been.

It makes sense to keep it the way it is. Amsterdam and Saratoga Springs do not belong in a district that stretches to the Canadian border.

People in the current district generally work in the district, not in the Adirondack region. They commute to their jobs in the Capital district region.

It makes sense to keep the region together for its common goods and services and infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration,

Angela Dupin

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Joshua Mason <acloserlook@pm.me>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:30 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: My community voting district

My name is Joshua Mason, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,

Joshua Mason, MD
(347) 731-4328

8229 Abingdon Road
Kew Gardens, NY 11415

Josh

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Lillian Giraffa <lilliangiraffa@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:34 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Columbia County & Redistricting

Please preserve Columbia County as a unified community of interest with our neighboring counties. We share similar agricultural, historic, artistic and economic challenges and opportunities with Dutchess, Ulster, Rensselaer, and Greene Counties as part of a Mid-Hudson Valley Region. Dividing Columbia County or separating us from this region would impact the residents who want to share our rich heritage and build for the future.

Lillian Giraffa
144 Mercer Mountain Road
East Chatham NY 12060

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From: William Cooney <wfcooney@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:34 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

From what I have read in non-party aligned newspapers, it appears that the special master has swung the pendulum too far and has in fact advantaged the Republican Party.

In particular, the 20th Congressional District needs to include Saratoga as there is a defined community of interest of that city with its Capital Region Sister Cities.

NYC districts need to accurately reflect communities of interest and not simple geographic blocks stack together even if this means some weaving is necessary.

Someone might need to investigate the independent master to ensure there is trace of partisan affiliation or affection at play here.

William Cooney

Guilderland.

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From: Dov L <lisker.dov@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:34 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Re-Districting

My name is Dov Lisker, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely

Dov Lisker

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From: Michael Jaime <mjaime@elmontschools.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:36 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; naacppresidavis@gmail.com; Sabereh Samet; kaplan@nysenate.gov
Cc: Ken Rosner; Colum Nugent; James Grossane
Subject: Comments on the proposed New York State Senate maps
Attachments: Re-districting.pdf; Re-districting.pdf

Michael A Jaime
Elmont Union Free School District
Board President

Sewanhaka Central High School District
Board President

(516) 493-7769

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Cindy Spence <edgeofyonderfarm@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:40 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting in Saratoga

As a resident of the city of Saratoga Springs, NY, I am strongly opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. Saratoga Springs strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to communities like Schenectady, Albany, Troy, and Amsterdam. Many of our residents work and have families in these communities. Placing Saratoga Springs into a district that stretches to the Canadian border with communities that have much different needs than our own will ultimately be detrimental to our community. I urge you to include Saratoga Springs in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

Cynthia Spence
89 Nelson Avenue, Saratoga Springs

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Kathleen Rose <krose423@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:41 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep Amsterdam in the NY 20

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K. f. Rose
119 Schuyler Road
Amsterdam
NY 12010

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Joe Phillips <joepdrew@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:41 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Cc: dustin@paultonko.com
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

I object STRONGLY to the naked attempt to break up a coherent Capital Region congressional district currently represented (and quite well!) by Paul Tonko, and throw a couple pieces of it -- including Congressman Tonko's residence in Amsterdam -- into Elise Stefanik's district. I've also heard about similar shenanigans elsewhere in your redistricting plan.... upstate districts, largely Republican, have lost the most population and should lose representation accordingly.

But the Capital District from Amsterdam to Saratoga to Troy to Albany and points in between (including my community) share many interests and deserve coherent representation. I urge you to rethink these arbitrary and, I believe, politically motivated "gerrymandered" district lines. Be "independent"!

Joseph Phillips
Colonie NY
Registered third-party voter
joepdrew@aol.com

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Lucas H Tepan Jr <tepanjr@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:42 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep Amsterdam in NY 20

As a resident of the city of Amsterdam, NY, I am strongly opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. Amsterdam strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to communities like Schenectady, Albany, Troy, and Saratoga Springs. Many of our residents work and have families in these communities, and just this month it was announced that the Capital District Transportation Authority would be expanding it's service into Amsterdam. Placing Amsterdam into a district that stretches to the Canadian border with communities that have much different needs than our own will ultimately be detrimental to our community. I urge you to include Amsterdam in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

Very Respectfully,
Sent from my iPhone

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Hindy Hershman <hindyhershman@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:43 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise

My name is Hindy Hershman,

I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely

Hindy Hershman

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Brenda A. Wise

From: heather.idels@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:45 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Queens redistricting

My name is Heather Idels. I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,
Heather idels

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Brenda A. Wise

From: MaryBeth Winn <marybethwinn@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:48 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

As a resident of Saratoga Springs, but employed in Albany, I strongly urge that these cities be kept together in the SAME congressional district. As part of the Capital District, we share history as well as goals, and together we can work for our future as a community. PLEASE do not re-district this area.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Mary Beth Winn

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Sue Bray <suebray@mindspring.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:49 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Saratoga Springs Congressional District

Dear Sir or Madam.

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Sincerely,
Susan Bray
25 Crommelin Drive
Saratoga Springs NY 12866

Sent from my iPhone

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Harvey Lisker <Harvey@absolutebrilliance.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:51 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

My name is Harvey & Malky Lisker, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,
Harvey & Malky Lisker

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From: Jeannine Laverty <jlaverty@nycap.rr.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:52 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

This simply IS NOT be a neutral decision to lump the Capital Region into Stefanik's district.

Please reconsider.

Thank you so much.

Jeannine Laverty, Saratoga Springs, 12866-1311

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From: ryan2512.lc@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:52 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Cc: Steubensuperior@NYcourt.gov; cervas@CMU.edu
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

To Whom this may concern,

I am a resident of Co-op City we want to be retained in the 16th Congressional District!!!!

Respectfully Submitted

Lauren Coleman
A Registered Voter

Sent from Mail for Windows

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Khalil Abdul-Wahhab <wigglewag203@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:51 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; Cervas@CMU.edu; SteubenSuperior@nycourts.gov
Subject: Please Keep Co-op City in the 16thh District

I have just found out about this matter. I urge the court to allow the 16th District in the Bronx to remain intact. A change from the 16th to the 14th district will diminish the strength of my vote and that of my neighbor, family, and friends.

Khalil Abdul-Wahhab
Division Chief
Bronx Division-4
NYC CERT

We cannot stop disasters from occurring, but properly prepared, we can survive them.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: June Jones <jsuzukijones@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:56 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Coop City District

Please redrawn the map to keep COOP City in the 16th District.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Jason Newman <jason.newman622@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:57 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Queens

My name is Jason Y Newman I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely

Jason

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Sonjia Richards <sonjiarichards222@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:57 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

Good afternoon, I have lived in the 16th district (Co-OP City) for 29 years and I do not want any redistricting. PLEASE LEAVE THE 16TH DISTRICT AS IT IS

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Barbara Battaglioli <bbattaglioli@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:57 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

I am imploring you to keep Saratoga County in the 20th district. It is where we belong, in the Capitol Region Congressional District. We share commonalities with the rest of the Capitol Region, not the Northern Adirondack District. If you are looking to have the Congressional Districts reflect the constituents of the District, we belong in the 20th District.
Barbara Battaglioli

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Meyer Jeger <meyerjeger@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:58 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Proposed Senate Map Redistricting

My name is Meyer Jeger. I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Meyer Jeger

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From: Carlos Burgos <carlosburgos7142@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:02 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; stuben@nycourts.gov; sevice@cmu.edu
Subject: redistricting th 16th dist.

I email you tonight to urge you to keep the 16th district intact. Don't further marginalize our community.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Pam Bracken <pam722@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:04 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Cc: StubenSuperior@nycourts.gov; Cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Redistricting of Congressional Districts

Dear Justice Patrick McAllister,

The current attempt to remap the 16th congressional district proposed by Jonathan Cuervas will seriously diminish the voting strength of Co-Op City for the next 10 years.

Should this plan go through, Co-Op City will move from the 15th congressional district to the 14th congressional district, a potential loss of 17% of the voting population for the colored community. This is yet another attempt to disenfranchise the strength of votes for persons of color.

I cannot stand idly by while Co-Op City's voting power and that of my Northeast Bronx neighbors is deliberately diminished. Approval of this plan means the northeast Bronx's predominant community of color will be splintered into three congressional districts, further marginalizing my community and diminishing our ability to elect candidates who best represent our interests.

I'm writing to ask that you not approve this travesty to voting rights for people of color. Please leave the current 15th congressional district intact.

Sincerely,
Pamela Bracken

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Sura Censor <suracensor@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:05 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting - Queens Jewish Vote Split!

Sent from my iPhone

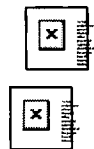
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Sura Censor



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From: Pam Bracken <pam722@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:07 PM
To: Cervas@cmu.edu
Cc: Brenda A. Wise; StubenSuperior@nycourts.gov
Subject: Redistricting of Congressional Districts

Dear Mr. Cuevas,

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From: Pam Bracken <pam722@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:09 PM
To: StubenSuperior@nycourts.gov
Cc: Brenda A. Wise; Cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Redistricting of Congressional Districts

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From: lillyrich17@optonline.net
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:13 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; SteubenSuperior@nycourts.gov; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: 16th Congressional District

I live in Co-op City which is in the 16th congressional district. I am very disappointed to learn of the redistricting which will place Co-op City in the 14th congressional district. This change will adversely effect the political power of this district.

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From: Amina Abdul-Wahhab <amina_wahhab@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:17 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; SteubenSuperior@nycourts.gov; Cervas@CMU.edu
Subject: please keep co-op in 16th dist.

Co-op City needs and must be retained in the 16th Congressional District, and the voting population of our communities of color must not be diluted

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From: Sue Rynn <suerynn@ymail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:17 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; STEUBEN_SUPERIOR; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: opposition to proposed districting map

As a 35 yr resident of Dobbs Ferry, I am writing to explain my noted opposition. Main reasons include:

- The Rivertowns of Westchester County, (Greenburgh, Mount Pleasant, Ossining, Cortlandt, and the villages and unincorporated areas therein, as well as the city of Peekskill) is a community of interest owing to its common exposure to the Hudson River floodplain and its shared infrastructure. Key elements such the Metro North Hudson Line, Route 9, and the Old Croton Aqueduct unite the area. For example, a village consortium comprised of Hastings-on-Hudson, Dobbs Ferry, Irvington, Tarrytown, and Sleepy Hollow comes together to pursue improvements to public safety and transit use around the Mario Cuomo Bridge and Route 9.
- Greenburgh and White Plains are inextricably intertwined communities and should not be in separate congressional districts.
- Dutchess County is not substantially "connected" to Westchester County and should not be included in CD 17.

I hope that you take these factors into account and reconsider the proposal.

Sincerely,
Susan Rynn

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Sylvia & Mike Wheelless <nowheels@verizon.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:18 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

Please keep the entire Capital District congressional district intact as it is - 20th district.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Menachem Walfish <mewalfish@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:20 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

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Sincerely

Menachem Walfish, M.D.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Adena Dyckman <adenadyckman@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:20 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise

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Sincerely
Adena Dyckman

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Laura Faulk <lauraefaulk@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:23 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

Hello,

I'm writing to you as a resident of the City of Saratoga Springs, NY, to let you know that I am strongly opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. Saratoga Springs strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to communities like Schenectady, Albany, Troy, and Amsterdam. Many of our residents work and have families in these communities. Placing Saratoga Springs into a district that stretches to the Canadian border with communities that have much different needs than our own will ultimately be detrimental to our community. I urge you to include Saratoga Springs in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Best wishes,

Laura Faulk
16 5th Ave
Saratoga Springs, NY

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Jeanne Mathewson <jeanaloupa@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:23 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

The Capital Region historically has been kept together in the same Congressional District for good reason - the shared communities and cities of Albany, Amsterdam, Saratoga Springs, Schenectady, and Troy have deep roots binding them together. They share common services through the CDTA and SUNY systems. If the 'Special Master's' final map gerrymanders its way to split apart the 20th Congressional District, it will be a hammer blow to these communities' shared future and ruin the Capital Region's ability to speak with a unified voice in Washington DC.

I lived in Albany for 25 years and know this to be true.

Jeanne

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Brenda A. Wise

From: lillyrich17@optonline.net
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:26 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; SteubenSuperior@nycourts.gov; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: 16th Congressional district

I live in Co-op City which is in the 16th congressional district. The proposed redistricting plan which will place Co-op City in the 14th congressional district will adversely affect Co-op City. This change will dilute the political power of the largest Co-op in the country.

We are a community of 45,000 people. Our political power should not be up for grabs.

Lillian Richardson

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Brenda A. Wise

From: cecile.banks.07@verizon.net
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:26 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Northeast Bronx Redistricting Plans

I have been a proud resident of Co-op City for the past 15 years. As an older person -- a senior -- I am especially appreciative of the many essential services my community provides to me. And as such, I am alarmed by and strongly object to any attempts or plans to remap our congressional district. I believe that it is imperative for the best interests of my community, as supported by our combined voting strength, that the Northeast Bronx district that includes Co-op City, Edenwald, Williamsbridge and lower Westchester, be retained in the 16th Congressional District. By this email, I am asking that my comments regarding this matter be submitted for the court's consideration.

All of us in this community, this city, this nation and the world at large have suffered unforeseen and unimaginable losses and challenges in these past pandemic years. We are all still struggling to come to terms with the devastation that is now the reality for so many of us. In these struggles it is even more crucial that our concerns and needs are being addressed and championed by those elected officials that truly and fully understand and represent our interests and those of our neighbors.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Cecile H. Banks

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Dorine Hyman <dhyman30@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 5:57 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; SteubenSuperior@nycourts.gov
Cc: Dorine Hyman
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

May 17, 2022

I'm writing because the Noreast Bronx District which includes Coopcity, Edenwald, Williamsbridge and lower Westchester, needs to be retained in the 16th Congressional District, and the voting population of our communities of color MUST NOT be diluted.

Respectfully,

Dorine Hyman
120 Asch Loop, #25-B
Bronx, NY 10475

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Asher Koenig <asher@imagecapital.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:27 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Senate Redistricting - Really Important

My name is Asher Koenig, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely

Asher Koenig

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Asher (Ushie) Koenig
Image Capital LLC
80-02 Kew Gardens Road - Suite 307
Kew Gardens, NY 11415
Tel: (646) 549-0336
Fax: (646) 213-1672

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Margo McGilvrey <mcgilvreym@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:21 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Congressional maps

Please keep Ulster County whole and don't divide cities and towns in half. Margo McGilvrey 42 Kalina Dr, Saugerties, NY 12477

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Brenda A. Wise

From: lbmdpc@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:31 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Important

Good Evening,

My name is Deborah Bennett, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,
Deborah Bennett

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Rick Laahs <laahsacre@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:32 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise

This is not acceptable, it will leave the vast majority of the state to give our voice to the small populous with the majority of the state, only because of smaller numbers. We need an electoral college so NYC doesn't win the whole state...

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Brenda A. Wise

From: lbmdpc@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:34 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Important

Good Evening,

My name is Leslie Bennett, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,
Leslie Bennett

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Pamela paul <actpam@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:34 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Columbia County & Redistricting

I hope that the final plan will not split Columbia County between two Congressional districts. The northern part of the County shares economic and cultural ties with the southern part, as well as with Dutchess County and our cousins across the Hudson, Ulster and Greene. Thank you for reconsidering the Special Master's plan.

Pamela Paul, Old Chatham

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Brenda A. Wise

From: marilyn Andrews <merdan@nycap.rr.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:37 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: NY 20 Districk

I am very much opposed to Amsterdam being moved out of the Capital District (20th) District and put into the 21 District. We align more with cities such as Schenectady, Albany , Troy, and Saratoga. These cities have similar needs to Amsterdam. Also we have recently been told that CDTA will becoming to Amsterdam. Also Amsterdam has been invited to be part of the Capital District Chamber of Commerce. Amste4rdam must stay in the 20th District. Our community does not fit into the 21st District. Keep us in the 20th District where we have been for years.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: David Fisher <pdfisher214@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:38 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Re: Support for redrawn NYS voter district maps

Dear Honorable McAllister:

Please be advised that I support the newly redrawn NYS voter district maps in order to provide a better distribution of fair representation of both the Democratic and Republican parties. The gerrymandered maps are completely unacceptable, regardless of favored party affiliation.

Thank you for your time and consideration of the representation of all New York State voters as the Empire State encompasses a vast majority of values and views that need to be uniquely addressed in each individual region.

Sincerely,

David Fisher

2502 Cutting Rd
Delevan, NY 14042

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Ellis, John <jellis@bscsd.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:38 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise

New congressional maps are absurd.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Barbara Gentile <gentileny@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:40 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Columbia County & Redistricting

To: Special Master for Redistricting

Brenda A. Wise

From: Frank Brodhead <fbrodhead@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:40 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; STEUBEN_SUPERIOR; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Request for changes in map of CD16

Hello - I am a voter in CD 16, Hastings-on-Hudson, in Westchester County. I have lived in CD 16 for 25 years. I would like to register my significant concerns regarding the new boundaries for CD 16.

My main concern is to keep the northeast Bronx annexed to lower Westchester in CD 16. In recent years, this has given our district a healthy and invigorating multi-racial character. The removal of Co-op City, Edenwald, and Williamsbridge from the district will have a significant **NEGATIVE** impact on our district's character. Additionally, the fragmentation of the northeast Bronx's Black community into three separate congressional districts will have the (intended?) result of reducing Black political power in the area. This is regarded as unacceptable to many white people as it is to Black people.

Please restore Co-op City to CD 16.

Thank you,
Frank Brodhead
Hastings-on-Hudson

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Brenda A. Wise

From: smo1shy <smo1shy@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:40 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Fw: please keep co-op in 16th dist.

Co-op City needs and must be retained in the 16th Congressional District, and the voting population of our communities of color must not be diluted

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original smo1shy@yahoo.com>

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Michal Krupnik <michalkrupnik@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:40 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Senate Map Redistricting

My name is Michal Krupnik. I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,
Michal Krupnik

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Sima Mandelbaum <sima.mandelbaum@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:41 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

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Sincerely,
Sima Mandelbaum

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Maria Rosado <mariarosado628@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:41 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Re: 16 Congressional district

Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Maria Rosado. I reside in Co-op City, Bronx, NY 10475

The Northeast Bronx district that includes Co-op City, Edenwald, Williamsbridge and Lower Westchester County needs to be retained in the 16th Congressional District, and the voting population of our communities of color must not be diluted.

The northeast Bronx should not be splintered into three congressional districts. This will further marginalize our communities and diminish our ability to elect candidates who best represent our interest.

Please let us stay in the 16th district.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Maria Rosado

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Karen Beltran <beltrank@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:44 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise; STEUBEN_SUPERIOR; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Cd 16

Greetings -

I am writing to advocate for Co-op City staying in NY-16.

NY-16 must retain the northeast Bronx communities of Co-Op City, Edenwald and Williamsbridge with lower Westchester. The special master's proposed map decreases the Black voter population by about 17%, this dilutes the voting power of Black people in NY-16, further marginalizing them and making it difficult for them to elect candidates that best represent their interests.

I am asking for a fairer map

Karen Beltran
60 Truman Ave
Yonkers ny 10703

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Peter Miller <petermil@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:48 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

Please keep the Capital District together -- Albany, Schenectady, Troy, Amsterdam and Saratoga. It is a sensible, cohesive unit that belongs together.

Peter Miller
Greenfield Center, NY 12833

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Carol Maxwell <carolmax@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:49 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Proposed change in districting for Saratoga Springs

I am writing to you to express my disappointment at the proposed redistricting that will shift ED20 to ED21.

My family for generations lived in the North Country (Hamilton County). I am very familiar with that region. I live now in Saratoga Springs (14 years). I am shocked and disappointed at the current move to incorporate Saratoga Springs into the NY-21 district. Saratoga Springs is not at all like the north country. It makes no sense to attempt to put Saratoga Springs into a region that is completely different in so many ways and so many needs.

As an Adirondacker in heart, I don't believe that this effort will well serve the north country. The North Country needs more representation and support. It is a different culture and the north country has many needs that have not been addressed adequately. I think it is fair to say that if this shift is made, it will hurt the north country more than Saratoga. And for Saratoga, we are much more aligned with the Capital District in terms of transportation and culture.

Best regards,

Carol Maxwell
Saratoga Springs NY

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Brenda A. Wise

From: irvin brum <ibrum55@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:51 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Senate Map Redisdricting

To whom it may concern:

My name is Irvin Brum and I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely

Irvin Brum

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Channie Brum <brum59@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:51 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Senate map redistributing

To whom it may concern:

My name is Hannah Brum, I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely
Hannah Brum
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Channie Brum

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Anna Lansford <annalansford20@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:51 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

Hello,

As a resident of the city of Saratoga Springs, NY, I am strongly opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. Saratoga Springs strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to communities like Schenectady, Albany, Troy, and Amsterdam. Many of our residents work and have families in these communities. Placing Saratoga Springs into a district that stretches to the Canadian border with communities that have much different needs than our own will ultimately be detrimental to our community. I urge you to include Saratoga Springs in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Best regards,

Anna Lansford

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Anna Lansford (she/her)
Saratoga Springs, NY
Northwestern University '24

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Phyllis Aldrich <paldrich50@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:45 PM
To: Field Horne; Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting Saratoga county

Dear Sir,

As a 50 year resident of Saratoga County, Please consider my request to limit Elise Stefanik to her current northern 21 st CD.

Her current territory covers a different constituency from her current 20TH
With vastly different concerns.

Thankyou.

Phyllis Aldrich.

49 Granite St, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

Thank you.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Steve Andors <sa434wc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:54 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Columbia County & Redistricting

Columbia County is in the middle of the Hudson Valley. Just look at the map. It borders on the Hudson River! Please be reasonable and not political in redistricting efforts. Excluding Columbia County from a Hudson Valley Congressional district makes no sense.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Adina Shapiro <shapiro750@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:55 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

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Thank you for consideration.

Sincerely,
Adina Shapiro

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Steven Saphirstein <shabsie@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:54 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: NYS State Senate Maps

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Sincerely,
Steven Saphirstein



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Brenda A. Wise

From: Remigia Carbonella <rjbj1095@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:56 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Special Master

Dear Special Master:

Please don't put Sunset Park into New York-11, we don't share remotely the same values or local needs as Staten Island, there's no commonality between us

Rebecca Bucanon
Brooklyn, NY

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Benjamin Nierman <bnierman@bsd-consulting.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:57 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting map

My name is Benjamin Nierman. I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,

Benjamin Dov Nierman

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Brenda A. Wise

From: IMarsha Brown-Logan <mbrowndean@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:58 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Re: Proposed remapping of the 16th Congressional District

As a longstanding resident of Co-op City, this is to express my opposition to remapping the 16th Congressional District. Such action will unfavorably effect the voting representation of Co-op City and that of our Northeast Bronx neighbors. I ask that my opposition be considered.

Sincerely,
Marsha Brown-Logan
Co-op City
Building 4C

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Becky Ticen <becky.ticen@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:59 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise

As a resident of the city of Amsterdam, NY, I am strongly opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. Amsterdam strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to communities like Schenectady, Albany, Troy, and Saratoga Springs. Many of our residents work and have families in these communities, and just this month it was announced that the Capital District Transportation Authority would be expanding it's service into Amsterdam. Placing Amsterdam into a district that stretches to the Canadian border with communities that have much different needs than our own will ultimately be detrimental to our community. I urge you to include Amsterdam in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: NYBOBF48 <nybobf48@aol.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 6:59 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

I believe that the Capital Region should remain in the same congressional district. These cities and the suburbs around them have much in common and have been linked together for a very long time. Breaking this region up does not seem to make sense to me. Please consider the long term relationship of this region before making any decision to break up this congressional district. Thank you.

R. Fanniff, Latham, NY 12110

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Devra Cohen <yazer18@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 7:02 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

To whom it should concern,

As a resident of the city of Saratoga Springs, NY, I am strongly opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. Saratoga Springs strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to communities like Schenectady, Albany, Troy, and Amsterdam. Many of our residents work and have families in these communities. Placing Saratoga Springs into a district that stretches to the Canadian border with communities that have much different needs than our own will ultimately be detrimental to our community. I urge you to include Saratoga Springs in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Regards,

Devra Cohen-Tigor

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Bobbi & Chev Eldrid <bceldrid@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 7:03 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

Please keep our community in the 20th Congressional District. Albany, Schenectady, Troy and Saratoga Springs together. We are the Capital district with shared experiences, labor market, etc.

Thank you.

Sacheverel & Roberta Eldrid

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Mary Murfitt <mcmurfitt@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 7:04 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Columbia County & Redistricting

Dear Dr. Cervas -

Like many other residents/voters of Columbia County, I was disappointed to see your newly drawn district maps...especially that of our 19th Congressional District. I believe Columbia County should be part of a contiguous district that connects all of the Mid-Hudson Valley counties.

We are neither urban nor suburban--we belong as a unified Columbia County community with our neighboring counties--Dutchess, Rensselaer, Ulster and Greene.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,
Mary Murfitt
Ancram, NY

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Simcha Perkal <simchadp@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 7:06 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: NYS Senate Maps Public Comment

My name is Simcha Perkal,

I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in asking the Independent Redistricting Commission to keep these neighborhoods together. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester cooperative have always been part of our district, they are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

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Sincerely,
Simcha Perkal

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Peter <psloomisesq@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 7:06 PM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

It makes no sense to divide the Capital region and place Amsterdam and Saratoga in another district, where they've been for years with common interests.

Sent from my iPhone

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