

Brenda A. Wise

From: Caroline Boehm <carolineboehm@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 3:35 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Queens redistricting

To whom it may concern,

My name Caroline Boehm. I live in Kew Gardens Hills, New York in the 11367 zip code. I am submitting this testimony in protest of the new maps that were released for the New York State Senate. The Jewish communities of Kew Gardens Hills and Hillcrest were heavily involved in explaining to the Independent Redistricting Commission the importance and propriety of maintaining these neighborhoods in a unified district. Furthermore, Pomonok Houses, and Electchester Cooperative have historically been part of our district. They are our neighbors, and many of our families originate from these public housing entities.

The State Legislature's plan properly took into account our testimony and mapped a district that combined most of the Jewish community in Central Queens. That map appropriately providing a voice to our community that is so desperately in need of a voice, particularly in this time of increased anti-Semitism. The district you redrew takes South East Queens and goes through Jamaica into Kew Gardens, and Kew Gardens Hills a flagrant disregard of this community's advocacy.

We ask that in your final draft you put the neighborhoods of Kew Gardens Hills, Pomonok, Electchester, and Hillcrest into the district you drew of central Queens with Forest Hills, Rego Park, Middle Village, and Glendale. Please remove Ozone Park and Richmond Hill as they are not the same communities of interest as we are to the neighborhoods mentioned above and they too are not well served by the current draft map.

Thank you for your consideration.

Caroline Boehm

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Brenda A. Wise

From: B B <poets.today@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 4:00 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise; cervas@cmu.edu; steubensuperior@nycourts.gov
Subject: Remapping Co-op City's confessional district.

Co-op City, 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. A potential loss of 17% of the voting population for our community of colour and I am emailing against my support for this. This will further marginalize our communities and diminish our ability to elect candidates who best represent our interests. Please reconsider this vote and these voices, thank you.

Opeyemi Ladunni
Co-op City resident and concerned voter of the 16th Congressional District.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Petra Hahn <petrasimonehahn@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 4:00 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep Bethlehem in Capital District

***I live in the Town of Bethlehem in NY20.
Bethlehem is a suburb of Albany. Albany is considered to be
in the Capital Region of NY, as are Amsterdam, Saratoga
Springs, Schenectady, and Troy.
These five cities and their surrounding areas should be kept
together in one Capital District Congressional District. We
have a strong identity together and are served by the same
transportation systems, educational institutions and cultural
institutions.***

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● Petra

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From: Terence Diggory <tdiggory@skidmore.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 4:02 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep Saratoga Springs in Capital Region district

bwise@nycourts.gov

To: bwise@nycourts.gov

Subject: I oppose moving Saratoga Springs out of a Capital District congressional district

To whom it may 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.

Best,

Terence Diggory

173 Circular St

Saratoga Springs. NY 12866

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Robert South <tholish@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:03 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting Comment

Please make the districts even more competitive.

--Robert South, 728 Arsenal, Watertown NY 13601

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Sharion Scott <eklvn@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:05 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting Map

Good Morning!

Please reconsider breaking up Bedford Stuyvesant community into two. This is a historical African-American community and making that decision will disenfranchise the people that live there. It also sends the wrong message that historical African-American neighborhoods are not valued.

Please restore this historical community and change the redistricting map by reuniting this district.

Thanks,
Sharion Scott

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Ashook Ramsaran <ashookramsaran@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:08 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: I support NY Congressional District #6 remaining in the Bayside thru Oakland Gardens/Bayside Hills

Hon. Judge McAllister,

I am concerned about the special master's New York congressional district lines which have bifurcated NY Congressional District #6.

I support NY Congressional District #6 remaining in the Bayside thru Oakland Gardens/Bayside Hills for very practical reasons:

Because it shares a school district, a community board and a precinct.

Sincerely,
Ashook Ramsaran
AshookRamsaran@gmail.com
Mobile (USA) +1-917-519-5783

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Brenda A. Wise

From: cmk451 (null) <cmk451@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:15 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep the Capital Region Congressional District Together!

The existing 20th Congressional District should continue to include all of the Capital District cities. Since 1960 Amsterdam, Schenectady and Albany have been part of the same CD when Rep. Stratton held the House seat. It is unnecessary to ignore the community of interests in the region and the new boundaries seem more to reflect partisan political interests.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Jen Lackard <jenlackard@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:22 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise; STEUBEN_SUPERIOR; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: NY-16 Redistricting Comments

Attention: NY-16 Redistricting Comments

I am deeply concerned by the intent to redraw the map for NY-16 into 3 congressional districts. The areas which comprise NY-16 are predominantly Black communities and dissecting the district, as proposed, will only further marginalize the voter power of the Black community and making it difficult for them to elect candidates that best represent their interests.

I strongly urge you to keep NY-16 a collection of communities to include the northeast Bronx (Co-Op City, Edenwald) and lower Westchester.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jennifer Lackard

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Kathleen Valentine <krvalentine1@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:50 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: No To dividing Kingston in Ulster County into two election districts

I am a Kingston resident and am appalled to see the proposed redistricting map divide Kingston into 2 election districts. This effectively extremely dilutes black and Hispanic votes and may violate the NY constitution. It divides communities for no good reason and as I understand it, the dividing line actually divides some residents properties into 2 districts. This is the kind of sloppy run a line through a map kind of district drawing that colonial powers used to perform when they disregarded communities. I again urge you not to divide our community in two and dilute the vote for our growing minority populations. This map also invites court challenges.

Regards

Kathleen Valentine
357 W. O'Reilly St. #1208
Kingston, NY 12401
845-331-0502

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Margie Shepard <mshepard.shepard@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:59 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: DON'T CHANGE OUR DISTRICT

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.

This change is not based on common sense.

Thank you for your attention
Margaret Shepard
143 Caroline St Unit 1
Saratoga Springs NY. 12866

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Paul Nicastro <paulsalbanypool@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 5:31 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

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Sincerely, Paul Nicastro

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Penny Nlogel <dime5463@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:04 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Support integrity and honesty in voter district maps

Support for redrawn NYS voter district maps

Dear Honorable McAllister:

Please be advised that I strongly 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. I appreciate you doing your job honestly with integrity, without being bullied into anyone's agenda.

Thank you for following the laws that were to bring fairness to every voter. I hope you continue to be unbiased and encourage your honesty in this matter.

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,

Penny E. N-Logel
Christopher H. Logel
Jacob Logel
Jarod Logel
Charlie Logel
Donald C Newland
Michael Newland
Douglas Newland
Jeffrey Newland

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Wade Willard <willard498@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:09 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
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Sincerely,

Wade Willard

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Teresa Davis Wilkinson <tdaviswilkinson@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:10 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Lakeview Redistricting

Good Morning,

I am a longtime Lakeview resident and I am asking you to reconsider the redistricting lines that effect Lakeview.

We are asking that the lines stay as they are currently drawn.

Teresa Davis Wilkinson
1190 Ossipee Road
West Hempstead, NY 11552
718.813.6430

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Beth Marotta <bbethmarotta@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:17 AM
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 its 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. Thank you!

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Brenda A. Wise

From: pmarcucia <pmarcucia@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:25 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

As a resident 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 its 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.

Sincerely,
Patricia J. Marcucia

Sent from my Galaxy

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Deb Melillo <dreed51392@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:25 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting

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Sincerely,
Deborah Reed Melillo
77 North St
Saratoga Springs

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Brenda A. Wise

From: lori layton <lori4196@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:42 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: PLEASE KEEP AMSTERDAM IN NY20

Is there something suddenly broken with our map? We have always been a part of NY20, a part of the Capital Region and we as Amsterdam Strong have been fighting to rebuild our city. This change would be devastating to our progress like an unwarranted demotion!

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: Shaindel Simes <shaindelsimes@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:50 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Redistricting Issue

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.

In the state legislature's plan, they took into account our testimony and made a district that combined most of the Jewish community in Central Queens. Kew Gardens Hills has been gerrymandered into a South East Queens State Senate District. Pomonok, Electchester and Hillcrest have been split off into a Flushing centered district. This is splitting our communities up. Communities of interest must be together in one district.

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Sincerely,

S Simes

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Steve Samuell <samuell.cary@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:50 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Saratoga Springs Redistricting

As a resident of the city of Saratoga Springs, NY, I am opposed to the draft Congressional map that would remove my community from a Congressional district centered in New York's Capital Region. The city of Saratoga Springs strongly identifies with the greater Capital Region and has strong economic and transportation ties to the communities of 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 and representation in Congress. I urge you to include Saratoga Springs in the proposed 20th Congressional District when you finalize the Congressional maps.

Stephen Samuell

11 Wedgewood Drive

Saratoga Springs, NY

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Yvette Lui <yvette.lui@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:58 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Congressional district 6

Hello,

Please keep bayside as part of congressional district 6.

26th avenue on the north, Northern Blvd on the south, Bell Blvd. on the east and Utopia on the west should be part of **Congressional District 6** as it's part of the same community board 11, same 111th police precinct, same school district 26.

Regards,

Yvette Lui

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From: Esti Becker <ebeckerslp@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 6:56 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise

My name is Esther Becker, 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,
Esther Becker

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Julie Casner <jmcasner@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:01 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Congressional Redistricting

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Sincerely,
Julie M. Casner

Sent from my iPhone

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Linda Jones <ladylindajones@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:02 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise; Cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Remapping of Co-op City's Congressional district

If this plan to remap our congressional districts is approved, the northeast Bronx's predominant community of color will be splintered into three congressional districts. This will further marginalize our communities and diminish our ability to elect candidates who best represent our interests. Please consider our communities and do not allow this to happen.

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Rachel Balsam <balsamrachel@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:04 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: keep the map as is please!

Good morning,

My name is Rachel Balsam, 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,
Rachel Balsam

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From: Nechama <nechamadavidowitz@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:05 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
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My name is Nechama Davidowitz, I am submitting this 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
Nechama Davidowitz

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Chana Lederman <cfrankel613@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:07 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: NYS Senate Maps Public Comment

My name is Chana Lederman, 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,
Chana Lederman

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Family Conte <kofconte@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:07 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise
Subject: Keep Amsterdam in NY 20

Please keep our city in NY 20 with Paul Tonko. Amsterdam relates to the Capital District, not the North Country. Our Latino community will be disenfranchised. None of our state and local partnerships involve the North Country. Paul has served this community as a country, state and federal representative for 40 years. We pay taxes, we vote. We aren't asking for anything other than the ability to keep what we have always had. Please keep Amsterdam in the 20 th. Thank you

Raymond Conte
251 Cleveland Ave
Amsterdam

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Brenda A. Wise

From: Donyshia Boston-Hill <dbostonhill@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 7:07 AM
To: Brenda A. Wise; cervas@cmu.edu
Subject: Lakeview - Districting Concerned Residents

Good Morning,

As a 13 year residents of Lakeview we have serious concerns about the proposed redistricting of our community. What would be the potential benefits of such a decision? As a community that is already underfunded and underutilized, such a move would only make our voices and concerns that much more ignored.

Redistricting is simply another way to further divide our community. Lakeview is a small hamlet that is surrounded by larger towns and villages. Are their lines being redrawn as well? History tells the story of the struggles our community has faced and it is hard not to wonder if the racial makeup of Lakeview was similar to it's neighboring villages would such a decision be made.

This community needs investment and revitalization, not redistricting so that our votes and voices can be further disenfranchised. Restricting will only serve as a hindrance and another structural barrier to uplifting, unifying, and revitalizing our community. We strongly oppose this measure.

Concerned Residents,

Kevin and Donyshia Boston-Hill

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