

The Honorable Patrick McCallister  
Acting State Supreme Court Justice  
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Bath, NY 13810

Dr. Jonathan Cervas  
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Dear Justice McCallister and Dr. Cervas,

**The Mayors and Board of Trustees of the Village of Tarrytown** encourage you to respect the consensus of both Democratic and Republican members of the New York State Independent Redistricting Commission and keep our Village whole within a district NY-17 that includes all the Westchester Rivertowns and joins northwestern Westchester County with Rockland County. Our communities comprise an economically, socially, and culturally intertwined population. Only a congressional map that unites us with our neighbors can respect our status as a community of interest:

**Keep the entire Village of Tarrytown in NY-17.** Too many political/tax divisions already exist within our borders. The Village of Tarrytown comprises two school districts. Irvington, serves the southern neighborhoods of Tarrytown. TUFSD serves the majority of Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow, inextricably connecting our communities. Tarrytown and Sleepy Hollow are currently in two separate municipal taxing districts (Towns) and two County Legislative districts. Not including both Villages in NY-17 would seriously complicate school funding. **Most disturbing is the splitting of the Village of Tarrytown into two Congressional districts and/or from our sister villages further diluting the ability of Tarrytown residents and their Village officials to address local and regional issues, and to share services in a comprehensive way.**

**Keep The Westchester Rivertown Villages (particularly those in the Town of Greenburgh) Together** The map proposed by the petitioners would sever this community of interest by arbitrarily separating Hastings-on-Hudson, Dobbs Ferry, Irvington, and Tarrytown from Sleepy Hollow, Ossining, and Peekskill. That line has no basis whatsoever in the environment, infrastructure, or social and economic life of our community.

**Keep the Rockland Rivertowns with the Westchester Rivertowns** The Westchester County Rivertowns should be unified with the Rockland County Rivertowns due to their common interests in controlling the Hudson River floodplain and their economic, social, and transit connection by the Mario Cuomo (Tappan Zee) Bridge. **the petitioners' map separates Tarrytown and Nyack, which are directly connected by the Mario Cuomo (Tappan Zee) Bridge.**

**Keep White Plains Whole and United with CD-17** White Plains is the most accessible municipality in Central Westchester County. For residents of northern Westchester and the Rivertowns, White Plains is the closest urban center and is the seat of our County.

We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,  
Karen G. Brown, Mayor, Village of Tarrytown  
Rebecca McGovern, Deputy-Mayor  
Robert Hoyt, Trustee  
David Kim, Trustee  
Paul Rinaldi, Trustee  
Effie Phillips-Staley, Trustee  
Thomas Mitchell, Trustee