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Co-Chairs Taylor, and Salinas, Vice-Chairs, Knopp, and Boshart-Davis, and members of the redistricting committees,

For the record my name is Mike Broili my pronouns are he/him/his and I live in Lincoln County, House District 10. I have lived in South Beach for the past five years.

I first want to thank the committee and your staff for your hard work on the important task of redrawing our legislative and congressional maps. I know there are a lot of complexities to consider in this process. In general, I support the Congressional maps in Plan A. These maps appear to me to keep communities of interest together, take into account major transportation routes, and respect existing political and natural boundaries.

For example, Congress Plan A keeps all of Lincoln and Benton Counties together in the same congressional district. That means Corvallis and Newport are in the same district, which makes sense due to our proximity, and the fact that Corvallis is the nearest city to us with a major hospital. This map also takes into consideration the two major roadways in and out of my community: Hwy 101 and Hwy 50. Oregon State University and University of Oregon each have satellite campuses in Newport and Coos Bay (respectively), so it makes sense to have those four cities in the same district.

The newly-drawn 4th congressional district in Plan A reflects the lived reality and needs of my community. I do a lot of volunteer work with folks in Newport, Waldport, Toledo, and Yachats regarding our shared watershed and environmental conservation concerns, so it's important to me that we remain in the same district to give us the best chance to elect a leader who shares and will represent our values in D.C. I believe Congress Plan A will allow us that opportunity.

In regards to legislative maps, I support Plan C. This plan keeps all of Lincoln County together in one district. I also feel that the central coast is more in alignment with the north coast, so I would prefer the Plan C senate district over the other two options. Plan B doesn't make much sense at all to include Newport and only the east side of McMinnville in the same senate district. I find Plan B peculiar. Legislative Plan C also appears to keep communities of interest together across the state better than either of the other options. I urge you to move forward with Legislative Plan C.

Once again, thank you so much for your service, time, and work on this important issue. The maps in Congressional Plan A and Legislative Plan C are great starts. Please keep in mind what I have shared about my community when finalizing maps. I'm happy to answer any questions— you may contact me by email at mlbroili42@gmail.com or by phone at (206) 546-3119. Thank you.

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