Co-Chairs Senator Kathleen Taylor, and Rep Andrea Salinas; and Vice-Chairs Senator Tim Knopp, and Representative Shellie Boshart-Davis; and sincere thanks to **all** members of the redistricting committees.

For the record, my name is James Jacobson; (my pronouns are "he, his").

I reside in Lane County: in OR House District 7 (Rep. *Julie Fahey*) and Senate District 14 (Senator *James Manning*).

I've lived in West Eugene for the past 14 years, have been a Lane County resident for 26 years.

In August, 2016 I retired after serving an 18 year career at the University of Oregon, supporting students, staff and faculty in three campus departments.

I sincerely thank you all for taking on the challenging work of this committee. I know there are complexities with creating new district lines. Generally speaking, I support the "C" maps the committee has put forward. These maps make sense to me based on how *communities of interest* are kept together, take into account major transportation links, and respect important existing political and natural boundaries in my area.

I am supportive of the Oregon House and Senate C Plans as presented. I note that

House Plan C, incorporates River Rd. and all the areas along west 11th Avenue. That does make sense based on how unique a section of Eugene we are. I do much of my shopping on West 11th. I find most of the businesses and health facilities which I frequent, located in the Barger Dr and Beltline Rd areas.

I also appreciate how the City of Springfield (where many of my past & current co-workers and friends live) is being kept intact in a single House district. That is important for citizens in our neighboring city to the East.

Regarding <u>Congressional District 4</u> - I am opposed to plan B which splits up Lane County, essentially cutting off much of the Central and South Coast areas. <u>I prefer plan **A** as it keeps Lane County in one CD</u>.

Thanks again for your service and your work on this important issue. These maps are a great start.

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