

Dear Representatives,

I would like to first thank you for your time and efforts and willingness to read and contemplate what I have to say. My name is Juan D. Deleon Jr., I have been blessed to be born and raised in the great community represented by House District 15.

After looking at the three proposals presented for consideration I would have to say that Plan B in my opinion is the best option for the future of my community. This is the option that best represents the county seat of Linn and gives us residents the most opportunity to have our voices heard in the manner in which we would like to be represented by our elected officials.

Other options to me seek to split local area residents that we attend school with, belong on the same sports teams / programs and allow for influences outside of our immediate locality to potentially interfere with how the Greater Albany residents would like to be governed.

Over the years I have seen Albany, North Albany, Millersburg and surrounding areas grow from a quiet modest town to a bedroom community for surrounding larger cities. With this has come challenges for sure but we have always been able to address them as a community and as a resident I wish to keep it that way. An example that would be hard to match anywhere in the state was how our community rallied to support those impacted by the wildfires that raged out of control almost exactly one year ago. I truly believe this was in part of not only our Representative Mrs. Boshart-Davis but also because she was able to tap into that sense of community pride that I do not believe would be enhanced by those that live far enough away from Albany that they do not identify with us.

Plan B seeks to do things with keeping projected population growth and development of property both rural and urban at the forefront of the local residents interest. It is the plan that keeps Linn County closest to Linn County and just because we are getting closer to a big city we don't necessarily need or want big city problems that would inevitably be brought to us by adding citizens from outside of not only our County but our local Community.

Thank you for your time once again and I wish you best of luck in your endeavors to assure that Linn County residents' voices continue to be fairly heard in the future like they are today.

Sincerely,

Juan D. Deleon Jr.

Albany Resident

Linn County House District 15