Dear Redistricting Officials,

Please accept my encouragement to apply a non-partisan configuration for the new Oregon Congressional District. Please use this opportunity to 'balance the map' to provide for competitive elections and representation.

I have lived in Curry County Oregon (CD-4) since 2004 and have yet to see a close congressional election. Our representative (Peter Defazio, now serving his 18th consecutive term!)) faces virtually no threat to a challenger because the voters from rural communities and small towns (like Brookings) have no voice...the homes of our two biggest universities (Eugene and Corvallis) current decide who represents us.

I support Congressional Map 'B', which would replace Corvallis (and parts of Albany) with Grant Pass and part of Jackson County. With that plan, everyone's vote would be important.

The opinions above are my personal thoughts, and not necessarily the views of Brookings City Council. Brookings City Council has not addressed the redistricting process at this date.

Best regards,

Ed Schreiber, City Councilor

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