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Dear Chair Taylor, Vice-Chair Knopp, Senators Beyer, Frederick, and Hansell;
Co-Chairs Boshart Davis and Salinas, Representatives Bonham, Campos,
Drazan, and Pham,

Re: State House and Senate Redistricting Proposals

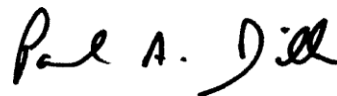
Thank you for allowing the public to submit its views on redistricting. As a professor at Willamette Law, I have studied legislative redistricting in depth, and appreciate the importance of this process.

As a resident of Wilsonville, I implore you to leave Wilsonville in tact in any redistricting plan. As is well-known, since 2010 Wilsonville has been split between legislative districts, with Charbonneau in District 39 and the rest of Wilsonville (north of the Willamette River) in District 26. Fortunately, it appears that all the proposed committee plans keep Wilsonville within one state house district. I am concerned, however, that none of them appear to include any of the area to the northeast of current city limits slated for development as Frog Pond East; this area may be annexed by Wilsonville in the next several years before redistricting in 2030.

With respect to Wilsonville's senate representation, it would be best if Wilsonville connected with other areas with which it shares interests, such as West Linn (school district) or Tualatin, with which it shares the I-5 corridor and will soon be contiguous in the Basalt Creek area. Unfortunately, none of the plans accomplish that. Plans A and C link Wilsonville with Tigard, but conspicuously skip over Tualatin. Plan B links Wilsonville with Newberg and Woodburn. Of the three, Plan B is probably the best insofar as at least Wilsonville and Woodburn have a shared concern regarding I-5 traffic and Willamette Valley mobility.

Finally, as someone who works in Salem and commutes via SMART/Cherriots, I appreciate the argument for putting a portion of Salem in the same district with Keizer. Salem and Keizer share a school district, a public transportation agency, and a housing agency. Of the proposed plans, Plan A best reflects the shared interests between Salem and Keizer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul A. Diller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" and last name "Diller" clearly distinguishable.

Paul A. Diller