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If your dreams don't scare you, they aren't big enough

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To: Chair; Taylor, Co-Chair; Bosshart-Davis and members of the Committee on Redistricting

I offer my testimony here regarding the required 10-year redistricting throughout the State of Oregon of Congressional districts and two houses of the Oregon State Legislature.

For the last 10 years I have lived and worked in the Canby, Oregon area but provide service the larger Portland Metro area. Throughout this period of time I have provided real estate services to residential clients as well as farmers and investors.

I will admit that I am late to the game when it comes to completely understanding the process involved here, the history of redistricting in Oregon and all that goes on behind the decisions to make any necessary adjustments to congressional, house and senate districts.

Studying the district maps on the Oregon state website, reading as much material as time will allow given my deadline for submitting a public opinion, I come away with a consistent feeling there is an effort (using Plan A for each district) to resize or put more districts into the urban areas and broadening representation within rural communities. More representation in urban communities with more focused representation offers better representation while Rural communities appear to receive the opposite; less representation and less focus on the needs and concerns of those communities.



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As a real estate broker in mostly rural communities, I can say with a certain amount of experience that more families and individuals are moving into rural areas and I see this trend continuing over the next 10 years.

Given this trend and after a close look at each of the proposed (plans A,B and C) redistricting maps I give my support to the following:

Congressional Districts	Plan B
Senate Districts	Plan B
House Districts	Plan B

Thank you for your time and consideration

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