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"Co-Chairs Taylor, and Salinas, Vice-Chairs, Knopp (Ka-nope), and Boshart-Davis; and members of the redistricting committees. For the record my name is Catherine Stearns, my pronouns are she/her/hers and I live in Benton County in current House District 23 ". "I live in North part of Benton County outside of Adair Village and have for the past 30 years."

First off, thank-you for the diligent work of this committee. There are a mind-boggling amount of complexities to drawing new district lines. And, I am glad you are providing time for citizen input by encouraging community groups, unions and other communities of interest to participate

Generally speaking, I support the districts proposed by the committee in House Plan A. This map make sense to me based on how it keeps communities of interest together, takes into account major transportation links, and respects important existing political and natural boundaries in my area.

I prefer House Plan A as it addresses many of the concerns I've had over the past ten years; namely, my neighbors and I have more in common with Corvallis than we do with Monmouth, Independence or Dallas. We travel south on Hwy 99W to Corvallis for the majority of our business, medical and recreational activities.

Our community is served by bus transportation services out of Adair Village to the Corvallis Transit Depot where we make connections to travel to many other places including most major local employers, Linn-Benton Community

College and even to the coast. There are no such connections to places north of us.

There are many retired folks in our area who appreciate being a short drive to Corvallis for medical appointments, groceries, and many cultural or recreational activities a college town offers. Local children attend Corvallis School District schools by taking the school buses originating in Corvallis.