Dear Committee Members,

I urge you to be thoughtful and non-partisan in the upcoming redistricting efforts. I live in a small town in Columbia County whose economy is resource and trades based. We need representation that understands that. We are rural, we have different problems and different concerns than that of the larger Portland Metro area. Bringing more of the Metro area in to our rural County would drown out our voice and preclude us from fair representation on the issues that affect our daily lives.

I urge our new boundaries to reflect the makeup of our small communities and not drown out our voice in a sea of urban politics.

Thank You,

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