

Redistricting Testimony

Good Morning

Co-Chairs Taylor, and Salinas, Vice-Chairs, Knopp, and Boshart-Davis, and members of the redistricting committees, thank you for the opportunity to allow me to speak today.

My name is Aaron Muñoz. I live in congressional district 3 in the City of Fairview and I've been a resident of Oregon all my life. I'm here because I would like the redistricting committee to know about the needs of my community and suggest based on those needs how the redistricting should shape to make sure my community receives adequate representation and funding. In Multnomah County, just north of Fairview, past Sandy Blvd and in the Blue Lake neighborhood is the unincorporated community of Interlachen.

The Interlachen community is an affluent community:

- The residents have City of Fairview addresses
- The children attend Reynolds School District schools
- The neighborhood is an exclusive wealthy neighborhood in the Blue Lake area
- Residents do not pay city taxes
- Residents do not vote for city officials or during special elections (for school board candidates for example)

I learned that the Interlachen community was established in the 1930's. However, I also learned that the intention of the establishment was to develop a private country club. In fact, the area is sometimes called the Fairview Country Club.

In my opinion, the Interlachen community in Fairview is manipulated by the Gerrymandering effect. The City of Fairview is not benefiting from electoral votes from residents of the Interlachen community.

Madam Chairs and members of the Redistricting committee, please look into these communities that are protected by Homeowners Associations and their own board of governors that manage their own infrastructure to protect their own common interest and class.

Thank you for listening.