

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON 2010 CENSUS REDISTRICTING

April 3, 2012

(RECESSED AND RECONVENED APRIL 17, 2012, APRIL 24, 2012, APRIL 26, 2012,  
MAY 1, 2012, MAY 8, 2012, JUNE 7, 2012 AND JUNE 15, 2012)

The Honorable,  
The Board of Commissioners of Cook County

### ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Butler, Collins, Daley, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Schneider, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (13)

Absent: Commissioners Beavers, Fritchey, Goslin and Reyes (4)

Also Present: Laura Lechowicz Felicione – Special Assistant to the President for Legal Affairs; Patrick Driscoll, Jr. – Deputy State’s Attorney, Chief, Civil Actions Bureau; Peter A. Creticos, Ph.D; Judson Miner – Attorney, Miner, Barnhill & Galland; Anthony B. Bass of Grasso Bass, PC; Phillip Luetkenhans of Schirott, Luetkehans & Garner, P.C.; Richard Velázquez, Esq. of VelázquezRodríguez LLC.

Court Reporter: Anthony W. Lisanti, C.S.R.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Committee on 2010 Census Redistricting of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County met pursuant to notice on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at the hour of 2:00 P.M. in the Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Your Committee has considered the following items and upon adoption of this report, the recommendations are as follows:

1. Overview of 2010 Census Information and Demographic Data from Election Data Services, Inc. and Peter A. Creticos, Ltd.
2. Schedule of public hearings to be held by the Committee.

**Vice Chairman Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Butler, moved to suspend the rules to allow the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee to meet on the items listed on the Agenda. The Agenda is dated March 29, 2012. The motion carried.**

Commissioner Suffredin stated that the Committee is in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

Chairman Sims asked for a motion to approve the schedule of public hearings to be held by the Committee.

**Vice Chairman Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Murphy, moved to adopt the schedule of public hearings to be held by the Committee. The motion carried.**

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Chairman Sims asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd).

1. Cynthia Schilski, President of League of Women Voters of Cook County
2. George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that today begins the process of redrawing the County Board Districts; this is prompted by the release and demographic data from the 2010 decennial census. The Board's goal is to arrive at and approve a map that is consistent with the governing legal principals under the United States Constitution and the Illinois Constitution, as well as the Federal Voting Rights Act.

Chairman Sims called upon Peter Creticos, of Peter Creticos, Ltd.

Mr. Creticos introduced the grad students which include: Cecily Coonce, Justin Pence and their leader Max Dieber of the University of Illinois-Chicago. Followed by Amy Krause, Project Manager and Gary Weintraub, Rick Velasquez, Tony Bass and Phil Luktenhans which make up the team.

Mr. Creticos gave the Committee an overview of the process that would be followed.

Kimball Bruce, President, Election Data Services, Inc., stated that Election Data Services, Inc. had been hired to assist in the process and prepare the data and all of the information on the technical side.

Mr. Creticos introduced Judson Miner, Attorney, with Miner, Barnhill & Galland, who will speak to the law that is governing the redistricting process.

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until April 17, 2012, in the Markham Courthouse, at 6:00 p.m.

April 17, 2012 (Markham Courthouse)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Daley, Garcia, Gorman, Murphy and Suffredin (7)

Mr. Creticos explained the process to the public present at the public hearing.

Chairman Sims asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd).

1. Terri Oliver, Mt. Greenwood Park Advisory Committee  
George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen (**NO SHOW**)
2. Hon. Raymond A. Lopez, Democratic Ward Committeemen – 15<sup>th</sup> Ward
3. Hon. Matthew J. O'Shea, Alderman – 19<sup>th</sup> Ward
4. Kathleen Walsh Mulcahy, Vice-President, Beverly Ridge Homeowners Association
5. Hon. Kevin Casey, Mayor of Hometown

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6. Hon. Dave Heilmann, Village President, Village Oak Lawn
7. Hon. Jane Quinlan, Village Clerk, Oak Lawn (Letter into the record)
8. Tristan Angus, Executive Director, 95<sup>th</sup> Street Business Association
9. Alice Collins, Beverly Area Planning Association
10. Arthur Richards, President, Vanderpoel Improvement Association
11. Carroll A. Vaughn, Vice President, Vanderpoel Improvement Association  
Billy Ray Chapple, Jr., Civic Association of Morgan Park (CAMP) **(NO SHOW)**
12. Kathy Ruopp, Concerned Citizen
13. Rose Joshua, President Chicago Southside NAACP
14. Mark Fary, Concerned Citizen of McKinley Park
15. Steven Murphy, Saint Xavier University
16. Chaquita Starks, Concerned Citizen 18<sup>th</sup> Ward

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until April 24, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., at Oakton Community College, 1600 East Golf Road, Room 1610, DesPlaines, Illinois.

April 24, 2012 (Oakton Community College)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioner Suffredin (3)

Mr. Creticos explained the process to the public present at the public hearing.

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| 1. | Teresa M. Henning | Director, Money Master <b>(No Show)</b>                 |
| 2. | Karin Hribar      | League of Women Voters of Cook County                   |
| 3. | George Blakemore  | Concerned Citizen                                       |
| 3. | Laura Murphy      | Maine Township, Democratic Committeeman<br>(DesPlaines) |
| 4. | Wayne Serbin      | Concerned Citizen (DesPlaines)                          |

Chairman Sims notified the Commissioners and the public that the May 1, 2012 public hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Merit School of Music.

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until April 26, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., at the Maywood Courthouse.

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April 26, 2012 (Maywood Courthouse)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Collins, Daley, Garcia, Steele and Suffredin (7)

Mr. Creticos explained the process to the public present at the public hearing.

Chairman Sims asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd).

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| 1.  | George Blakemore       | Concerned Citizen  |
| 2.  | Hon. David Pope        | President, Village of Oak Park   |
| 3.  | Josina Morita          | Executive Coordinator, United Congress of<br>Community and Religious Organizations |
| 4.  | Cherita Logan          | Concerned Citizen  |
| 5.  | Mariella Estrada       | Lead Organizer, Brighton Park Neighborhood<br>Council                              |
| 6.  | Chris Meister          | District 200 Oak Park River Forest High School                                     |
| 7.  | Maria "Maggie" Perales | Southwest Organizing Project   |
| 8.  | Bill Hampton           | Concerned Citizen  |
| 9.  | Remel Terry            | Westside NAACP   |
| 10. | James Gardner          | Concerned Citizen  |
| 11. | Jessie Nolen           | Concerned Citizen  |
| 12. | Bruce Washington       | Concerned Citizen  |

Chairman Sims notified the Commissioners and the public present that another public hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 1, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., at the Merit School of Music.

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until May 1, 2012, at 6:00 p.m., at the Merit School of Music.

May 1, 2012 (Merit School of Music)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Collins, Daley, Garcia, Murphy, Steele and Suffredin (8)

Mr. Creticos explained the process to the public present at the public hearing.

Chairman Sims asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd).

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| 1. | Jose Alonso | Community for a Unified Back of the Yards |
| 2. | Lance Tyson | The Tyson Law Group                       |

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| 3. | Michael D. Rodriguez | Executive Director, Enlace Chicago     |
| 4. | Whitney Woodward     | Illinois Campaign for Political Reform |
| 5. | Jesse Iniguez        | United Southwest Chamber of Commerce   |
| 6. | Elisa Alfonso        | Mexican American Legal Defense Fund    |
| 7. | Angela Rosario       | Inner City Muslim Network              |
| 8. | George Blakemore     | Concerned Citizen                      |
| 9. | Colleen Mancari      | South Loop Chamber of Commerce         |

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until May 8, 2012, at 4:00 p.m., at the Cook County Building.

May 8, 2012 (Cook County Building)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Daley, Gainer, Garcia, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Mr. Creticos explained the process to the public present at the public hearing.

Chairman Sims asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd).

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| 1.  | Bruce Crosby             | Political Action Committee Chairman,<br>National Association of Colored People<br>(NAACP) |
| 2.  | John Peller              | President, Chicago Aids Foundation  |
| 3.  | Josina Morita            | Executive Coordinator of the United<br>Congress   |
| 4.  | Sister Angie Kolacinski  | Of Community and Religious Organizations  |
|     | Immaculate               | Youth Coordinator Holy Cross-<br>Heart of Mary Parish                                     |
| 5.  | George Blakemore         | Concerned Citizen   |
| 6.  | Windy M. Pearson         | Member of Political Action Committee of<br>(NAACP) Westside Chicago Branch                |
| 7.  | Jorge Sanchez            | Mexican American Legal Defense Fund   |
| 8.  | Melissa L. Williams      | Chicago Westside NAACP  |
| 9.  | Gabriel Solis            | South Loop Chamber of Commerce  |
| 10. | Hugo J. Orejel           | 15 <sup>th</sup> Ward Residents   |
| 11. | Erin Rochford            | Valentine Boys and Girls Club   |
| 12. | Carl Nyberg              | Concerned Citizen   |
| 13. | Adelle Skepsted Brongiel | 18 <sup>th</sup> Ward Democratic Organization   |
| 14. | Chaquita Starks          | 18 <sup>th</sup> Ward Democratic Organization   |
| 15. | Valerie Leonard          | Lawndale Alliance   |

**WRITTEN STATEMENT ONLY**

1. Delia Barajas – Interfaith Leader Project
2. Patricia Herrod – Lawndale Christian Health Center

Chairman Sims asked Mr. Creticos to announce the date for the next meeting.

Mr. Creticos stated that the Committee had set for itself a deadline that the final map would be before the County Board on June 19, 2012. In order to accomplish this, he stated that the following schedule should be followed: May 31, 2012 a staff proposed map be made public, both by the redistricting website and through other resources, and obviously, directed to the committee. A public hearing on the map will be held on June 7, 2012 which would required that on June 5, 2012 the matter be brought before the County Board and then referred to the committee for an initial hearing on June 7, 2012; which this would give the public a full week to view the map.

Mr. Creticos stated that no action will be taken on June 7, 2012 and public testimony be heard. On June 14, 2012 the Committee will meet for final consideration of a map that would then go to the County Board on June 19, 2012.

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until June 7, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the Cook County Building.

June 7, 2012 (Cook County Building)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Collins, Daley, Fritchey, Garcia, Gorman, Murphy, Reyes, Schneider and Suffredin (11)

Mr. Creticos explained the process to the public present at the public hearing.

Chairman Sims asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd).

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| 1. | Bruce Crosby                   | NAACP                         |
| 2. | The Honorable Iris Y. Martinez | Illinois State Senator        |
| 3. | The Honorable Luis Arroyo      | Illinois State Representative |
| 4. | Sam Sandoval                   | Concerned Citizen             |
| 5. | Cynthia Schilsky               | League of Women Voters        |
| 6. | George Blakemore               | Concerned Citizen             |
| 7. | William Crosby                 | CTPVR                         |

Mr. Creticos gave the committee a power point presentation (SEE ATTACHMENT A)

Chairman Sims informed the Committee that this meeting will stand in recess until June 15, 2012, at 10:00 a.m., at the Cook County Building.

June 15, 2012 (Cook County Building)

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Chairman Sims, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Commissioners Butler, Collins, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Reyes, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (15)

Absent: Commissioners Beavers and Schneiders (2)

318508 COOK COUNTY REDISTRICTING ORDINANCE OF 2012 (PROPOSED ORDINANCE). Submitting a Proposed Ordinance sponsored by Deborah Sims, Peter N. Silvestri, John P. Daley, John A. Fritchey, Bridget Gainer, Jesus G. Garcia, Elizabeth "Liz" Doody Gorman, Gregg Goslin, Joan Patricia Murphy, Timothy O. Schneider, Robert B. Steele, Jeffrey R. Tobolski, Jerry Butler and Edwin Reyes, County Commissioners.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

**COOK COUNTY REDISTRICTING ORDINANCE OF 2012**

**WHEREAS**, on November 6, 1990, the voters of Cook County approved the creation of 17 separate single-member districts for the election of members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 93-O-34 (the "Cook County Districting Ordinance"), adopted September 21, 1993, provides [in Section 1] that the members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners shall be elected from 17 single-member districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Board is required by law to redistrict after each decennial census to insure that the 17 County Commissioner Districts are of substantially equal population according to census data from the United States Census Bureau; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with that requirement, Ordinance No. 93-O-34 was previously amended by Ordinance No. 01-O-23, adopted September 6, 2001;

**WHEREAS**, in enacting the redistricting plan set forth in Section 3 and Appendix 1 hereof, the following redistricting principles have been taken into account:

- (1) each of the districts has been drawn to be substantially equal in population;
- (2) each of the districts has been drawn to be consistent with the United States Constitution;
- (3) each of the districts has been drawn to be consistent with the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, 42 U.S.C. §1973, *et seq.*, as amended;

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- (4) each of the districts has been drawn to reflect a balance of the following redistricting principles: the preservation of the core or boundaries of the existing districts; the preservation of communities of interest; respect for township, municipal, ward, and other political subdivision boundaries; the maintenance of incumbent-constituent relationships and tracking of population migration; proposals or other input submitted by members of the public and stakeholder groups; public hearing testimony; respect for geographic features and natural or logistical boundaries; and other redistricting principles recognized by state and federal court decisions.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Cook County Board of Commissioners as follows:

Section 1. This Ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the Cook County Redistricting Ordinance of 2012.

Section 2. The Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook find that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct and do incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference.

Section 3. Sections 3-1 through 3-17, inclusive, of Ordinance No. 93-O-34, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 01-O-23, are hereby amended, and, as amended, shall read and provide as follows in the attached Appendix 1. Cook County Board Districts 1 through 17 shall be comprised as noted in Appendix 1 of this Ordinance.

Section 4.

(a) For purposes of this Ordinance, the districts described in Section 3, Appendix 1 shall be composed of the United States census geography (tracts and blocks), as defined by the 2010 version of the "TIGER" files from the United States Census Bureau. References to "tract" or "CT" shall mean "census tract," as that demographic unit is established by the United States Census Bureau for the 2010 census as described by maps and publications of the Bureau. References to "block," "blocks," or "block groups" refer to those demographic units as established by the United States Census Bureau for the 2010 census as described by maps and publications of the Bureau.

(b) In the census tract and block listing noted in Field 1 of Appendix 1, the first two digits of a census description shall refer to the State of Illinois (17). The next three digits of a census description shall refer to Cook County, which carries a code 031. The next six digits refer to the census tract within Cook County. The last four digits refer to the census block within the census tract. Field 2 of Appendix 1 references the corresponding Cook County Board District.

(c) Any reference to a "city" or "town," "city or town boundaries," or "city or town limits" shall refer to the boundaries or limits of a particular city or town as defined by the 2010 version of the "TIGER" files from the United States Census Bureau. "TIGER" is an acronym for the computer readable geographic data base that automates the mapping and related geographic activities required to support the United States' Census Bureau's census and survey programs and stands for "Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and

Referencing.”

(d) In the event of a discrepancy between the listing of tracts and blocks set forth above and any other boundary description or map, the listing of census tracts and blocks set forth in Section 3, Appendix 1 shall take precedence and be controlling.

Section 5.

(a) The Cook County Board Districts specified in Section 3, Appendix 1 of this Cook County Redistricting Ordinance of 2012 shall become effective upon approval and adoption of this Ordinance and County Commissioners shall be nominated and elected in 2014 by the legal voters of each County Board District as set forth and specified in this Ordinance, subject to the following limitations:

(1) Any County Commissioner elected in 2010 or appointed to fill a vacancy in office occurring subsequent to the 2010 general election but prior to the November 2014 general election shall, until his or her term is completed and his or her successor is elected and qualified in 2014, continue to represent and serve the residents and legal voters of the District from which he or she was elected or appointed as such District existed as of the 2010 general election; and

(2) Any vacancy in the office of County Commissioner occurring on or after the approval and adoption of this Ordinance and prior to the November 2014 general election shall be filled as provided in Section 2-71 of the Cook County Code by the appropriate district committee consisting of the committeemen of each ward or township contained in whole or in part within the County Board District in which the vacancy has occurred as such District existed as of the 2010 general election.

(b) Any vacancy in nomination for the office of Cook County Commissioner occurring on or after the general primary election in 2014 shall be filled as provided in Section 22-32 of the Cook County Code of Ordinances by the appropriate district committee consisting of the committeeman of each ward or township contained in whole or in part within the County Board District in which the vacancy occurs as set forth and specified in Section 3, Appendix 1 of this Ordinance.

Approved and adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June 2012.

**\*NOTE: If you would like to view (Appendix 1) specified in Section 3, follow the link below:**

<http://tinyurl.com/82quyah>

**\*Referred to the Committee on 2010 Census Redistricting on 6/5/12.**

**Vice Chairman Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Garcia, moved Approval of Communication No. 318508. The motion carried.**

**Commissioner Reyes, seconded by Commissioner Steele, moved to Approve Amendment #1, which amends Sections 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, 3-8, 3-12, 3-16, and 3-17 of the Proposed Ordinance and the Census Tract and Block listings for the corresponding Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 12, 16, and 17 specified in Appendix 1 to the Proposed Ordinance by Substituting the Census Tracts and Blocks for Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 12, 16, and 17 specified in Appendix A. Vice Chairman Silvestri called for a roll call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:**

**(Amendment #1 is provided on the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/6uvfzxq>)**

**ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE  
AMENDMENT #1 to  
(COMMUNICATION NO. 318508)**

**Yeas: Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Reyes, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Steele, Suffredin, Tobolski and Chairman Sims (14)**

**Nays: None (0)**

**Present: Commissioner Collins (1)**

**Absent: Commissioners Beavers and Schneider (2)**

**The motion carried and Amendment #1 to (Communication No. 318508) was APPROVED.**

**Commissioner Collins, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, moved to introduce the Collins Amendment.**

**Commissioner Collins made remarks to the Committee regarding the Collins Amendment that she had introduced. (Commissioner Collins Amendment is provided on the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/89qsuz7> and <http://tinyurl.com/73dkjp7>)**

**Vice Chairman Silvestri called for a roll call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:**

**ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE  
COLLINS AMENDMENT to  
(COMMUNICATION NO. 318508)**

**Yeas: Commissioners Collins and Suffredin (2)**

**Nays: Commissioners Butler, Daley, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Reyes, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Steele, Tobolski and Chairman Sims (12)**

**Present: Commissioner Fritchey (1)**

**Absent: Commissioners Beavers and Schneider (2)**

**The motion FAILED.**

**Vice Chairman Silvestri called for a roll call, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:**

**ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO APPROVE  
(COMMUNICATION NO. 318508) AS AMENDED**

**Yeas: Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Reyes, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Steele, Suffredin, Tobolski and Chairman Sims (14)**

**Nays: Commissioner Collins (1)**

**Absent: Commissioners Beavers and Schneider (2)**

**The motion CARRIED and the Cook County Redistricting Ordinance of 2012 (Communication No. 318508) was APPROVED AS AMENDED.**

**On the motion to reconsider (Communication No. 318508) as amended, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:**

**ROLL CALL ON MOTION TO RECONSIDER  
(COMMUNICATION NO. 318508) AS AMENDED**

**Yeas: Commissioner Collins (1)**

**Nays: Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Murphy, Reyes, Vice Chairman Silvestri, Steele, Suffredin, Tobolski and Chairman Sims (14)**

**Absent: Commissioners Beavers and Schneider (2)**

**The motion FAILED.**

**Chairman Sims thanked everyone involved in the process of the Redistricting Committee.**

**Vice Chairman Silvestri moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.**

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTION  
WITH REGARD TO THE MATTER NAMED HEREIN:**

Communication No. 318508

Approved as A mended

Respectfully submitted,  
Committee on 2010 Census Redistricting

  
Deborah Sims, Chairman

Attest:

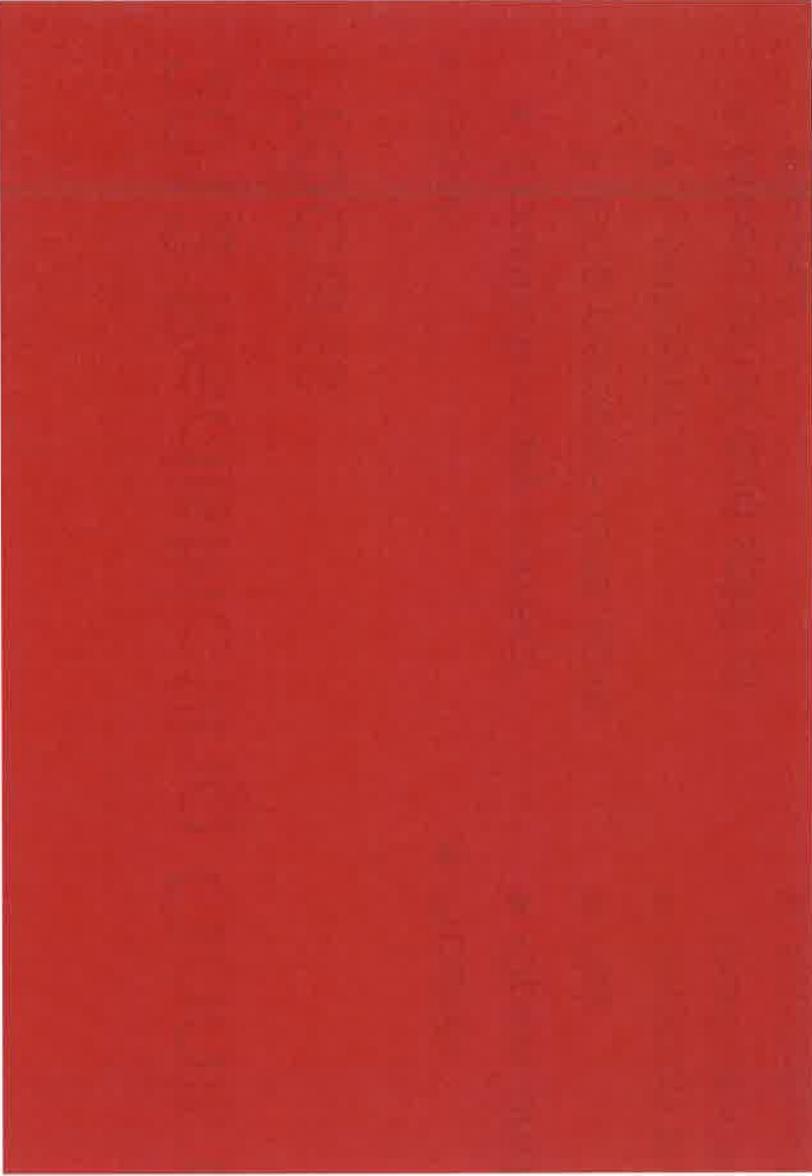
  
Matthew B. DeLeon, Secretary

\*A video recording of this meeting is available on the Office of the Secretary to the Board's web site on the Video Page at <http://blog.cookcountyil.gov/secretarytotheboard/county-board-proceedings/county-board-video-and-audio/>

\*\*The transcript for this meeting is available in the Office of the Secretary to the Board, 118 North Clark Street, Room 436, Chicago, IL 60602.

\*\*\* redistricting web site: <http://redistricting.cookcountyil.gov/>

ATTACHMENT A



# Staff Draft Proposal #1

Presentation to the Redistricting Committee  
June 7, 2012

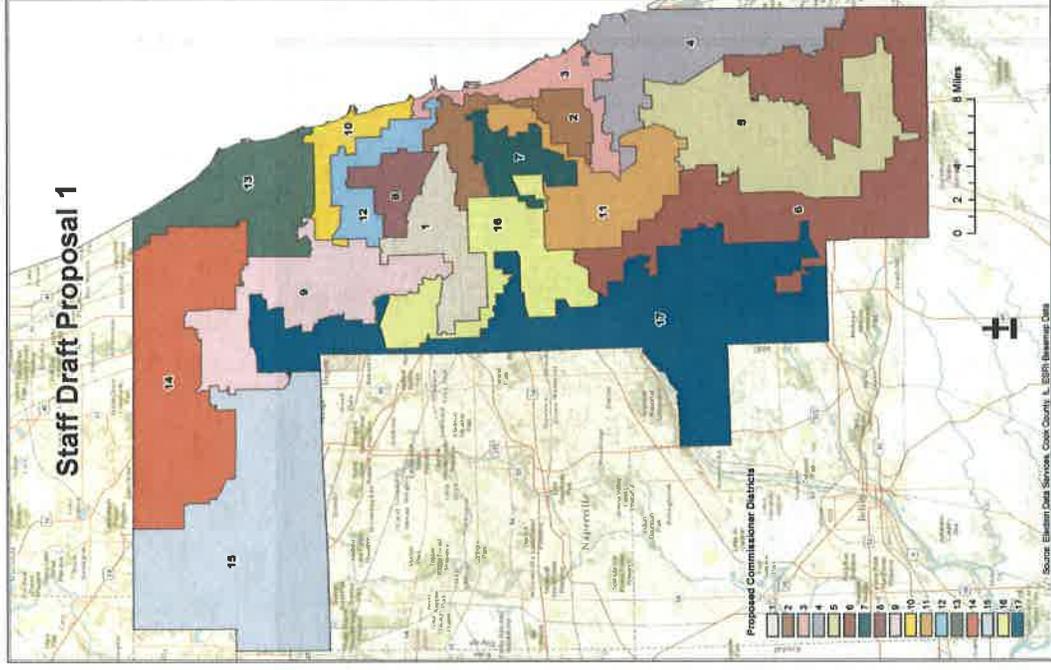
# 2012 Voting Rights-Related Objectives

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- Voting Rights:
  - 5 majority African American Districts
  - 3 majority Latino Districts
- Geographic distribution of Voting Rights Districts
  - 2 majority African American districts that are majority west side districts
  - 3 majority African American districts that are majority south side districts
  - Recognize the growing African American influence in the south suburbs
  - 1 majority Latino district on the northwest side centered on Chicago's Puerto Rican community and emerging Mexican and Central American/Caribbean communities
  - 2 majority Latino districts on the southwest and west sides taking in predominately Mexican American and Mexican immigrant areas
    - One district that is City of Chicago focused
    - One district that is suburban Cook County focused

# Staff Draft Proposal #1

- Within +/- 5% of ideal
- Contiguous
- District shapes are consequence of Voting Rights districts
- 5 majority African American districts
  - 1 & 2 west side
  - 3, 4, & 5 south side
- 3 majority Latino districts
  - 1 northwest side: 8
  - 2 southwest side:
    - Chicago: 7
    - Suburban: 16



# Then and now

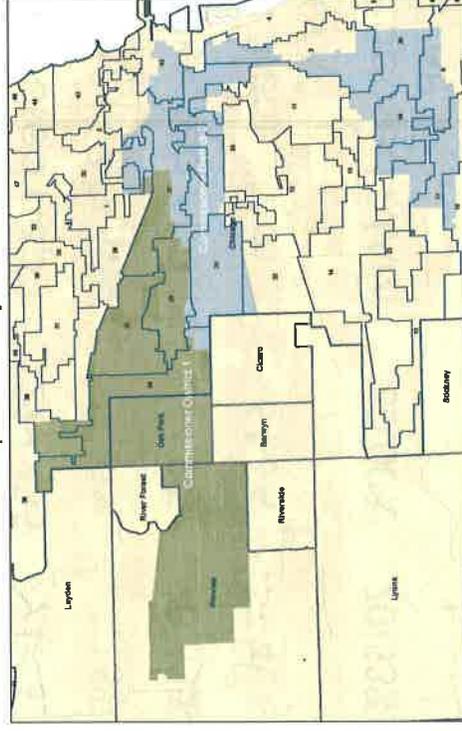
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District	2012 Proposal		2001 Adopted Map	
	Population	% Dev.	Population	% Dev.
1	291,569	-4.58	284,422	-6.92
2	290,418	-4.96	306,696	+0.37
3	299,435	-2.01	286,894	-6.11
4	291,962	-4.45	278,736	-8.78
5	291,509	-4.60	290,420	-4.96
6	309,010	+1.13	320,724	+4.96
7	290,322	-4.99	297,604	-2.61
8	320,766	+4.97	282,746	-7.47
9	316,630	+3.62	317,147	+3.79
10	319,290	+4.46	296,706	-2.90
11	313,139	+2.48	316,954	+3.73
12	297,300	-2.71	307,957	+0.78
13	320,736	+4.96	313,825	+2.70
14	307,253	+0.55	319,367	+4.52
15	319,914	+4.69	326,434	+6.83
16	296,230	-3.06	318,600	+4.26
17	319,273	+4.48	329,443	+7.81

# Districts 1 and 2 – West Side

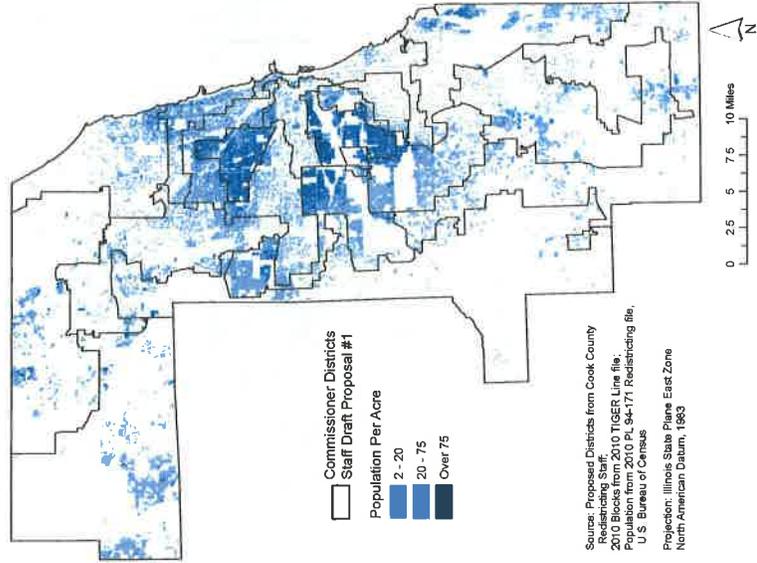
	District 1	District 2
Current Pop	284,422	306,696
Proposed Pop	291,569	290,418
Current AfAm %	62.85%	57.52%
Proposed AfAm%	60.87%	64.29%
Current AfAm %VAP	61.12%	51.61%
Proposed AfAm %VAP	59.93%	58.95%
% Current vs Proposed VAP	83.5%	74.7%

Cook County Commissioner District 1 and 2  
Staff Proposal 1 - May 30, 2012

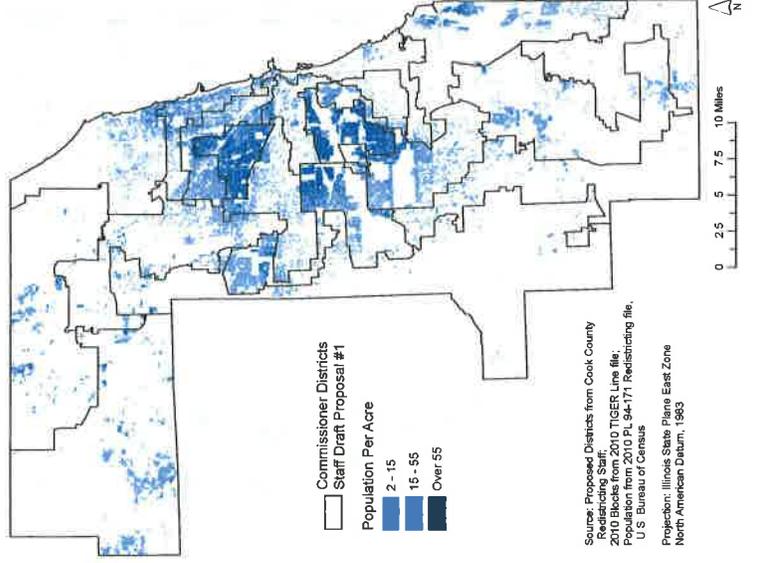


# Latino densities Total and voting age

2010 Hispanic Population  
By 2010 Census Block



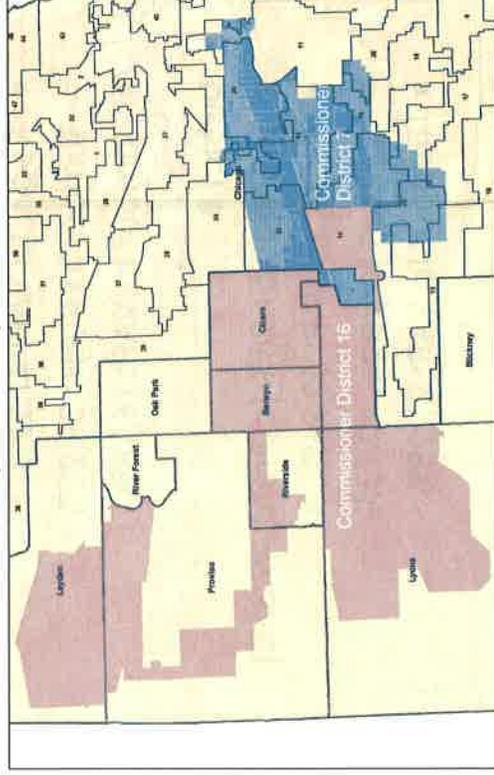
2010 Hispanic Voting Age Population  
By 2010 Census Block



# District 7 & 16

	District 7	District 16
Current pop	297,604	318,600
Proposed pop	290,322	296,230
Current %Latino	86.34%	47.05%
Proposed %Latino	81.75%	61.89%
Current Latino %VAP	83.20%	41.43%
Proposed Latino %VAP	77.3%	55.9%
Current vs Proposed %VAP	91.0%	80.2%

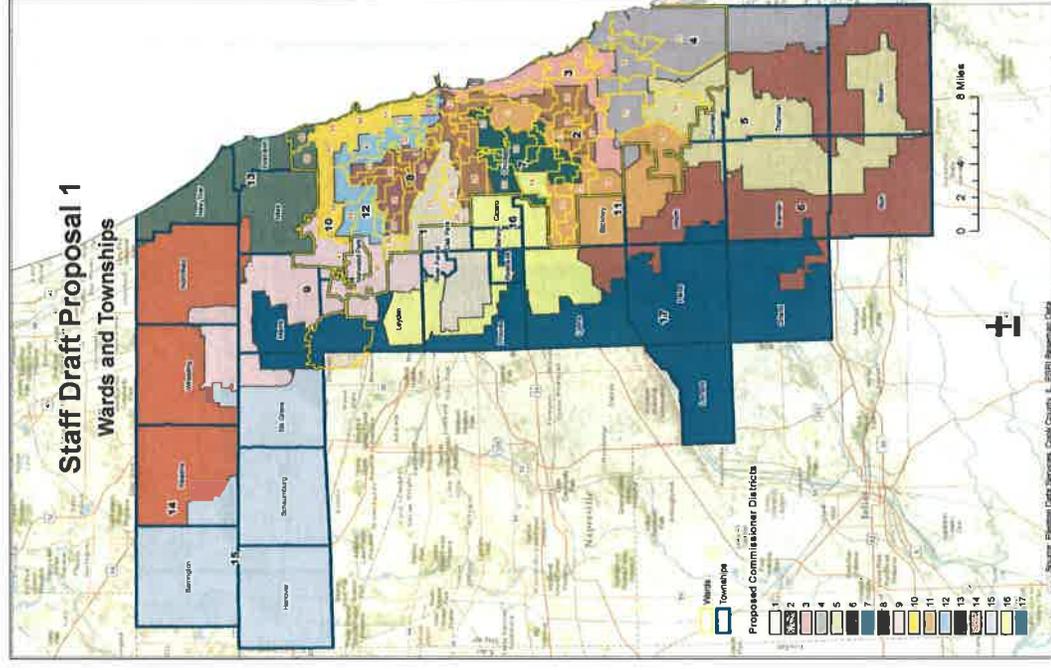
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Why not draw districts to just conform to the lines townships or other jurisdictions?

# Townships and wards

- 12 whole townships
- 8 townships split 2 ways with no split less lopsided than 2 to 1
- 8 townships split 3 ways – 3 directly involving voting rights districts
- 1 township split 4 ways (Proviso)
- 1 township split 5 ways (Worth)
- Proviso and Worth involve voting rights issues



# Public comment

19

- Hometown retained
- Oak Lawn almost entirely in one district (previously 3 districts)
- Beverly and other neighborhoods in the 19<sup>th</sup> retained in one district
- Representation more localized in Maine Township
- Austin, W. Garfield, Oak Park, and high minority western suburbs configured as one district
- City portion of 7<sup>th</sup> district largely intact
- Two west side African American districts
- Traditional Chinatown community intact
- Split of Back of the Yards is minimized
- Integrity of 11<sup>th</sup> district maintained
- North Lawndale boundaries respected and retained in District 2

## The team

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May 8, 2012

Mr. Matthew DeLeon  
Secretary  
Cook County Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark Street  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon,

As part of the record of proceedings for the Cook County 2010 Census Redistricting Committee, I wish to submit this statement of support for inclusion of part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Representative District within the revised boundaries of the 11th County District. When determining new jurisdictions, it is important to keep communities together in compact and contiguous districts.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> State Representative District has been a part of the 11th County District for many years, and the community would be best served by continuation of the current geographic representation.

Your consideration in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

Edward Acevedo  
State Representative • 2<sup>nd</sup> District  
Assistant Majority Leader

Cc: Deborah Sims, Cook County Commissioner  
John P. Daley, Cook County Commissioner

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*Citizens for Pat Dowell*  
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April 24, 2012

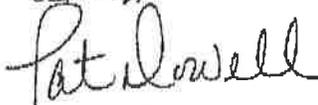
Mr. Matt DeLeon  
 Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
 118 N. Clark, Room 436  
 Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

Please enter this letter into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of my support for including certain areas of the 3rd Ward west of the Dan Ryan Expressway and south of 35th Street within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District. It is important to keep communities of interests together when designing geographically compact districts, and portions of the 3rd ward I represent are currently contained within the 11<sup>th</sup> District under the existing map.

Please keep the continuity of these areas in mind as new boundaries are determined. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Pat Dowell  
 Alderman and Committeeman, 3rd Ward

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**LOUIS S. VIVERITO**  
*Supervisor*

April 16, 2012

Mr. Matt DeLeon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark St., Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

Please enter this letter into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of support for including my community within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District. It is important to keep neighborhoods together when designing geographically compact districts, and the community where I reside is currently contained within the 11<sup>th</sup> District under the existing map.

Please keep the continuity of my community in mind as new boundaries are determined.

Sincerely,

Louis S. Viverito  
Supervisor

LSV/dmr

cc: Deborah Sims, Committee Chair  
John P. Daley, 11<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner



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April 16, 2012

Secretary of the Board of Commissioners  
Mr. Matt Deleon  
118 North Clark, Room 436  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Mr. Deleon:

Please accept this letter of support to include (19) Precincts of the 18<sup>th</sup> Ward in the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> District County Board. I would also like this letter to become a matter of record with the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee.

I feel it is important to keep neighborhoods together when designing geographically compact districts.

The area where I reside is currently located within the 11<sup>th</sup> District under the current map, and I would like it to remain.

I implore you to keep the continuity of the population in the 18<sup>th</sup> Ward in mind as you determine the new boundaries.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lona Lane  
18<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman

cc: Deborah Sims, Committee Chair  
John Daley, 11<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner



# SAINT • XAVIER • UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

April 16, 2012

Mr. Matt DeLeon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark, Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon

Please enter this letter into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of support for including Saint Xavier University within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District. As the only university in this area of Chicago, we educate nearly 5000 students. We also employ some 560 full and part-time faculty as well as an additional 400 full and part-time staff.

Given our impact, we are a vital and integral part of this district with immediate impact on the economic wellbeing of the surrounding community. We urge you to maintain the integrity and continuity of our neighborhood when designing (or redesigning) this geographic district.

Sincerely,

Christine M. Wiseman, J.D.  
President



April 24, 2012

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Mr. Matt Deleon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. Deleon,

Please enter this letter into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of support for including my community within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District. It is important to keep neighborhoods together when designing geographically compact districts, and the community where we reside is currently contained within the 11<sup>th</sup> District under the existing map.

Please keep the continuity of my community in mind as new boundaries are determined.

Sincerely,

John Wilkinson  
President, South Loop Chamber of Commerce

cc: Deborah Sims, Committee Chair  
John P. Daley, 11<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner



17 April 2012

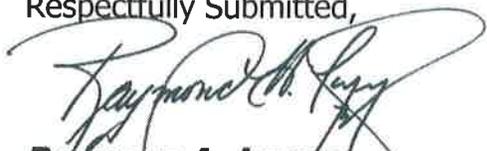
To the Members of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee:

Every ten years, the Constitution of the United States mandates a census in order to count the population of every corner of the country. It has been a highly publicized fact that our region has seen significant shifts within certain segments of the population while other population segments have seen an increase.

For the past ten years, portions of the South and Southwest sides of Cook County and the City of Chicago have been represented within the 11th District of Cook County. Our 11th District has been a cohesive blend of communities from Halsted Avenue to Harlem Avenue, representing portions of Bridgeport, McKinley Park, Gage Park, Archer Heights, Chicago Lawn, Clearing, Garfield Ridge, Scottsdale, Beverly and Mount Greenwood, as well as several suburban municipalities within Stickney and Worth townships, including Bedford Park, Burbank, Evergreen Park, Stickney, Oak Lawn, and Worth. This diversity has been our district's greatest asset, bringing together people from all walks of life.

With that in mind, I respectfully request that you, the honorable Members of the Cook County Board of Commissioners, draw our 11th District so that it may encompass and represent these areas again. The constituents served by this district will be best served if the strengths of our 11th District are preserved as best as possible for the decade to come.

Respectfully Submitted,



**RAYMOND A. LOPEZ**  
Democratic Ward Committeeman  
15th Ward - Chicago

Cc: John P. Daley, 11th District Commissioner  
Matthew DeLeon, Secretary of the Board

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ILLINOIS STATE SENATE  
**ANTONIO MUÑOZ**  
STATE SENATOR • 1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT  
ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER

May 8, 2012

Mr. Matthew DeLeon  
Secretary  
Cook County Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

As part of the record of proceedings for the Cook County 2010 Census Redistricting Committee, I wish to submit this statement of support for inclusion of part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Senatorial District within the revised boundaries of the 11th County District.

When determining new jurisdictions, it is important to keep communities together in compact and contiguous districts. The 1<sup>st</sup> Senatorial District has been a part of the 11th County District for many years, and the community would be best served by continuation of the current geographic representation.

In conclusion, I would like to once again express my support for the inclusion of part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Senatorial District within the revised boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you should have any questions or concerns.

Warmest regards,

Antonio Munoz  
State Senator • 1<sup>st</sup> District  
Assistant Majority Leader

Cc: Deborah Sims, Cook County Commissioner  
John P. Daley, Cook County Commissioner



**Office of the Mayor**  
**6530 West 79th Street**  
**Burbank, IL 60459-1198**  
**(708) 599-5500**

**Harry J. Klein**  
Mayor

April 13, 2012

Mr. Matthew DeLeon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
County of Cook  
118 North Clark Street  
Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

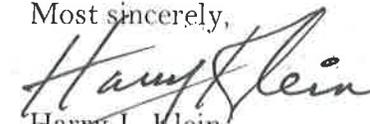
Dear Mr. DeLeon:

I write to have my comments and concerns to be placed into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee. Specifically, I support the inclusion of my community to be within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> District for the County of Cook.

Burbank, for many years, has been capably served by our 11<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner, John Daley. Our residents have long been assisted by Commissioner Daley and feel he best represents them in providing county services. I concur!

The City of Burbank is currently contained within the boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> District, under the existing district map. It would be a mistake to change something that is obviously a good fit between the City of Burbank and the County of Cook.

Most sincerely,

  
Harry J. Klein  
Mayor

cc: Deborah Sims, Committee Chair  
John P. Daley, 11<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner



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# Vanderpoel Improvement Association

May 8, 2012

Hon. Deborah Sims  
2010 Census Redistricting Committee  
118 N. Clark St., #567  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Chairman Sims:

Thank you for hosting today's public hearing on the Cook County Board's 2012 redistricting process. The Vanderpoel Improvement Association (VIA) represents residents living from 95th St. to 99th St. between Wood St. and Charles St. We have been active in this community for over 63 years.

Our organization has attended other public meetings with residents to discuss the ongoing County Board remap. Neighbors in our area are united and emphatic in their desire to remain within the boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> District. We chose to live in this community because of its established neighborhood organizations and institutions, and its multicultural diversity. The Beverly Area Planning Association (BAPA), VIA, Beverly Arts Center, and local churches all improve our quality of life.

The purpose of the remap is to provide residents of Cook County the best possible representation on the County Board. It is our firm belief that we are best represented by the 11th District. Therefore, we ask that you take every action possible to ensure that we remain residents of the 11<sup>th</sup> District.

Thank you,

Arthur Richards  
President

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Vice-President

Kathy Ruopp  
Treasurer



**ALDERMAN MATTHEW J. O'SHEA**  
19TH WARD

May 8, 2012

Hon. Deborah Sims  
2010 Census Redistricting Committee  
118 N. Clark St., #567  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Chairman Sims:

Thank you for the opportunity to address the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee at your April 17, 2012 public hearing. I appreciate the efforts put forth by this Committee to ensure residents across Cook County have a voice in this process. Soliciting feedback from civic and community organizations in this way ensures the best possible map for our constituents.

Today, I am writing on behalf of the residents of Beverly, Morgan Park, and Mt. Greenwood. Earlier this year, we worked together to preserve the boundaries of our diverse, historic community through the City of Chicago's re-map process. Now, as Cook County adjusts legislative boundaries, we are equally committed remaining to largely in one County Board District.

Civic Organizations are the backbone of my community. Many of these groups have long, fruitful relationships with our current County Board representative, Commissioner John Daley. Commissioner Daley has partnered with residents to improve the Dan Ryan Woods Forest Preserve, build a new handicapped accessible playground at Mt. Greenwood Park, and host a variety of fairs and social events for our senior citizens.

Additionally, this community should have a single voice on the County Board -- one office that residents can work with if and when problems arise. As you move forward with the challenging task of redistricting Cook County, I humbly ask you do all you can to maintain the boundaries of our district. We look forward to continuing a long standing relationship of public service with Commissioner Daley.

Thank you for taking the time to hear my concerns, and those of my constituents. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. O'Shea  
Alderman, 19<sup>th</sup> Ward

Great Futures Start Here



Louis L. Valentine Boys & Girls Club  
3400 South Emerald Ave., Chicago, IL 60616  
Phone: 773-927-7873 Fax: 773-927-8527

April 23, 2012

To: Matt DeLeon  
From: Erin Rochford  
Subject: Cook County Redistricting

My name is Erin Rochford and I am the Club Director of the Louis L. Valentine Boys & Girls Club of Chicago, a non-profit youth development organization servicing over 1,200 members annually in five core areas of development: Arts, Sports/Fitness/Recreation, Education and Career, Health and Life Skills, and Character and Leadership. Established in 1938, we provide youth with a safe haven to learn and grow; ongoing relationships with caring, adult professionals; life-enhancing programs and character development experiences; and a sense of hope and opportunity. Located in the 11<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County, we are the largest and most diverse Club of all 16 sites citywide. We serve not only as a youth organization but also as a community center.

Commissioner John P. Daley truly believes in our mission – “to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens”. Commissioner Daley is fully committed to our organization and has laid the foundation for our success, both economically and programmatically. His dedication in serving as a board member is instrumental to ensuring the impact we have within our community.

Our diverse demographics of the Club mirror our ever-changing environment in which we reside. Because of this, the Louis L. Valentine Boys & Girls Club of Chicago strongly endorses keeping us located within the 11<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County.

Sincerely,

Erin Rochford  
Club Director  
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CITY OF CHICAGO  
MICHAEL R. ZALEWSKI  
23RD WARD ALDERMAN

Mr. Matthew DeLeon  
Secretary  
Cook County Board of Commissioners

As part of the record of proceedings for the Cook County 2010 Census Redistricting Committee, I wish to submit this statement of support for inclusion of the City of Chicago's 23<sup>rd</sup> Ward within the revised boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District. When determining new jurisdictions, it is important to keep communities together in compact and contiguous districts. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Ward has been a part of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District for many years, and the community would be best served by continuation of the current geographic representation.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Zalewski  
Alderman  
23<sup>rd</sup> Ward

CC: Deborah Sims, Cook County Commissioner  
John P. Daley, Cook County Commissioner

cc: BH

**Back of the Yards**   
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

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April 24, 2012

Mr. Matt Deleon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark, Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. Deleon:

Please enter this letter into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of support for including my community within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District.

It is important to keep neighborhoods together when designing geographically compact districts, and the community where I reside is currently contained within the 11<sup>th</sup> District under the existing map.

Please keep the continuity of my community in mind as new boundaries are determined.

Sincerely,



Craig Chico  
President & CEO

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cc: Deborah Sims, Committee Chair  
John P. Daley, 11<sup>th</sup> District Commissioner

JoAnn Thompson  
COMMITTEEMAN – 16<sup>th</sup> WARD  
16<sup>th</sup> Ward New Democratic Organization  
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April 16, 2012

Mr. Matt Deleon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark, Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. Deleon:

Please enter this letter into the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of support for the inclusion of my community within the new boundaries of the 11<sup>th</sup> County District. It is important to keep neighborhoods together when designing geographically compact districts, and the community where I reside is currently contained within the 11<sup>th</sup> District under the existing map.

Please keep the continuity of my community in mind as new boundaries are determined.

Sincerely,



JoAnn Thompson  
Alderman / Committeeman, 16<sup>th</sup> Ward

cc: Deborah Sims, Committee Chair

*"The Prosperity of a Community is Expressed by the Advancement of its People"*



April 26, 2012

Commissioner Deborah Sims, Chairman and  
Members of the Redistricting Committee  
118 N. Clark St., Room 567  
Chicago, IL. 60602

Dear Chairman Sims:

On behalf of the people of our community, I would request that you keep our community, the Village of River Forest, in the 9<sup>th</sup> County District, currently represented by Commissioner Peter Silvestri. We work regularly with the neighboring communities in the district, and with the county through the Commissioner's office. Our community is tied in so many ways to the other communities of the district, especially Elmwood Park.

Thank you for your consideration and hopefully your support.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John P. Rigas", is positioned above the typed name.

John P. Rigas,  
President Village of River Forest

# The Village of Harwood Heights

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April 26, 2012

Commissioner Deborah Sims  
Chair of Redistricting  
118 N. Clark, Room 567  
Chicago, IL 60602

VIA FAX: 773-444-0373

Dear Commissioner Sims,

As the Mayor of the Village of Harwood Heights, I am requesting that our Village remain in the 9<sup>th</sup> District for County representation. Commissioner Peter Silvestri has represented our best interests.

I feel we should be included with towns that share the same ideas and goals and are similar in nature.

Sincerely,



Arlene Jezierny  
Mayor, Village of Harwood Heights

Cc: Commissioner Peter Silvestri  
Cook County Building  
118 N. Clark, Room #567  
Chicago, IL 60602

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**MICHAEL P. McAULIFFE**  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE  
20TH DISTRICT

SPRINGFIELD OFFICE  
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SPRINGFIELD, IL 62706  
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April 26, 2012

Commissioner Deborah Sims, Chairman and  
Members of the Redistricting Committee  
118 N. Clark St. Room 567  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Chairman Sims:

On behalf of the people of the 20<sup>th</sup> District, I would request that you keep our area in the 9<sup>th</sup> County District, currently represented by Commissioner Peter N. Silvestri. Our district is diverse in the fact that it represents the City while including many suburbs. Together we have developed a great rapport in solving common problems. We have crossed city and suburban borders, as well as political differences, to make our communities stronger. We work very well with the county and the Commissioner Silvestri's office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael P. McAuliffe".

Michael P. McAuliffe  
State Representative-20<sup>th</sup> District



# VILLAGE OF NORRIDGE

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April 26, 2012

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Commissioner Deborah Sims  
Chairman Redistricting Commission – Cook County Board  
118 Clark Street – Room 567  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Commissioner:

I am writing on behalf of myself and the entire Norridge Village Board to express our desire to retain Commissioner Peter Silvestri as our Commissioner and as such, the Village of Norridge remain in the 9<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County.

Mr. Silvestri has demonstrated numerous times over the years the ability to respond to the needs of the residents and business community.

The entire Village of Norridge will appreciate your consideration regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Ronald A. Oppedisano  
Village President  
VILLAGE OF NORRIDGE.

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**Office of the President  
Village of River Grove**

*Marilynn J. May*

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April 26, 2012

Cook County Board of Commissioners  
Re-Districting Committee  
Sent Via Fax: (773)444-0373

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Board of Trustees for the Village of River Grove, and our residents. We believe it is very important that River Grove remain part of the 9<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County. In the years I have been president, and for many years previous, River Grove has benefited from the strong unified voice that is the 9<sup>th</sup> District. Our day to day working relationship with our surrounding communities benefits all of the residents served. Years of communication and cooperation between our communities and the 9<sup>th</sup> District have been vital in the implementation of services and the completion of projects. Because of the close proximity to our neighboring villages, River Grove wishes to remain part of the 9<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County.

Thank you for your consideration,

Marilynn J. May  
Village President



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**ANTHONY A. BEALE**  
ALDERMAN, NINTH WARD

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April 24, 2012

Cook County Commissioner Deborah Sims  
(5th District)  
118 North Clark Street  
Suite 567  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Commissioner Sims:

During the Cook County remapping process; I, Anthony A. Beale, Alderman of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ward formally request the 5<sup>th</sup> County Board District remains within the boundaries of your district.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Beale  
9<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman

AB/dlp

**CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF CHICAGO**



**CARRIE M. AUSTIN**

ALDERMAN, 34TH WARD

April 25, 2012

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**VIA FACSIMILE**

Honorable Deborah Sims (D)  
Commissioner  
Cook County Board of Commissioners  
118 North Clark Street, Room 567  
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Commissioner Sims,

Please acknowledge this letter of request, which concisely ask that you keep 34<sup>th</sup> Ward in the 5<sup>th</sup> Cook County District intact.

Please let me know if I can lend additional input regarding this matter at your earliest possible convenience.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Carrie M. Austin  
34<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman

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**Regular Democratic Organization**  
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April 25, 2012

*Carrie M. Austin*  
Alderman - Committeeman

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# Southwest Organizing Project

April 26, 2012

Good evening. My name is Maggie Perales. I am a community organizer with the Southwest Organizing Project (SWOP), a broad based community organization representing 27 member institutions that serve over 35,000 families on the Southwest Side of Chicago.

Thank you for holding these hearings which provide an opportunity for public input on this very important process for all Cook County residents.

SWOP's leadership believes the communities within the 7<sup>th</sup> District constitute communities of shared interest. Although small portions of our communities include some demographic differences, we share many more substantial characteristics – similar income, shared schools and local member institutions, similar housing stock as well as shared challenges around housing. Because our demographics and our needs are similar, and because our communities also have a strong working relationship with Commissioner Garcia, we want to remain within the 7<sup>th</sup> District. Thank you.

For the Southwest Organizing Project,

Maggie Perales, Community Organizer

**SWOP**  
Recognizing the diversity of our community, we are building a broad-based organization of churches, schools and other institutions in Southwest Chicago, which will enable families to exercise common values, determine their own future and connect with each other to improve life in our neighborhoods.



# Village of Richton Park

Mr. Matt DeLeon  
Secretary to the Board of Commissioners  
118 N. Clark Street Room #436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Fax – 312-603-4683

Dear Mr. DeLeon,

Please enter this letter in the record of the 2010 Census Redistricting Committee as documentation of support for Cook County Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy and including my community within the new boundaries of her 6<sup>th</sup> County District.

Please keep the continuity of my community in mind as new boundaries are determined.

Sincerely,

Rick Reinbold  
Village President  
Village of Richton Park



## VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND

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May 30, 2012

Matthew B. DeLeon  
Secretary to Board of Commissioners  
118 North Clark Street, Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

The Village of South Holland is a quiet suburban community, positioned 25 miles south of downtown Chicago. On behalf of the village board clerk, trustees and administration, I commend the Cook County Board for assembling a bi-partisan committee to redefine the boundaries of legislative districts for the Board of Commissioners, and for providing an opportunity for the public to offer thoughtful testimony, comments and review of the proposed new legislative districts map.

It has been my privilege, as President of the Village of South Holland, to work with Joan Patricia Murphy, Commissioner of the 6<sup>th</sup> legislative district, on significant and impactful initiatives such as the proposed Metra Southeast Service Line and the Abraham Lincoln National Airport. As the Cook County Board Redistricting Committee enters the final stages of the redistricting process, it is our desire as a community to remain within the redefined boundaries of the 6<sup>th</sup> District. The Village of South Holland will continue to work closely with Commissioner Murphy in support of major initiatives that will greatly benefit south suburban Cook County.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the redistricting of Cook County boundaries. I am available to answer any questions or to offer additional comments.

Best regards,

Don A. De Graff, President  
Village of South Holland



# VILLAGE OF STEGER

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May 31, 2012

Mr. Matt De Leon  
Secretary to Board of Commissioners  
Cook County Board

FAX 312-603-4683

Dear Mr. De Leon,

As Mayor of the Village of Steger I wish to express my support for the redistricting of Cook County. Commissioner Joan Patricia Murphy has served the 6<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County and the Village of Steger well, it is in our best interest that she continue to represent our interests.

Please inform Commissioner Murphy and the Cook County Board that the Village of Steger supports the redistricting of Cook County.

Sincerely,



Louis Sherman  
Village President  
Village of Steger

*"Where Progress is a Fact, Not A Promise"*



RANDY J. KELLER  
Village President

BONNIE M. PRICE  
Village Clerk

May 29, 2012

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

I am in support of keeping the Village of Alsip in the 6<sup>th</sup> district. I hope that you will consider the 6<sup>th</sup> district concerns with redistricting.

Thank you,

Bonnie M. Price  
Village Clerk



David L. Owen  
Mayor

**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**  
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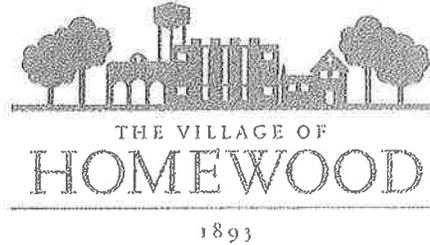
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May 29, 2012

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Mr. Matthew DeLeon  
Secretary of the Board of Commissioners  
Cook County  
118 North Clark, Room 436  
Chicago, IL 60602

Dear Mr. DeLeon:

As President of the Village of Homewood, I respectfully request that we continue to be placed in the 6<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Richard A. Hofeld  
Village President



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Village of South Holland



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

May 30, 2012

Mr. Max DeLeon, Secretary to Board of Commissioners

Re: Commissioner Murphy and the 6<sup>th</sup> District

Mr. DeLeon, I am writing to request that the Village of Lynwood remain in the 6<sup>th</sup> District with Commissioner Joan Murphy. The Commissioner has been a major influence and a valuable source of support for the region and our economic development efforts.

Just a few years ago, we asked the commissioner for assistance in bringing senior housing to Lynwood. We now have 147 units of senior housing and a waiting list of more than 200. This project would not have happened without the efforts of Commissioner Murphy.

In 2009, I asked the commissioner for help with a renewable energy project. The project consists of two wind turbines, a meteorological tower, and a video monitoring system. I am so proud that on April 11, 2012 she was standing with me as we unveiled the Lynwood Wind Study Project and presented it to the region and to the world.

The Joe Orr Road relocation project is finally under construction. The plan is to develop a route to Indiana that will help to relieve the congestion on Lincoln Highway, while at the same time, providing many new economic development opportunities for the south suburbs of Cook County. Thanks to Commissioner Murphy, the Cook County Highway Department never lost sight of the importance of this project for our region.

It won't take long for this new road to reach the Illinois/Indiana boarder. That is why it's imperative that we start now with the creation of a corridor study plan that will help us to market and maximize our potential for regional economic development. Commissioner Murphy has offered to help us with those efforts and I know that she will follow through.

Again, I respectfully request that Lynwood be allowed to remain in the 6<sup>th</sup> District with Commissioner Joan Murphy. We can't afford to leave anything to chance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eugene Williams, Mayor  
Village of Lynwood

VILLAGE OF LYNWOOD

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