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MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:16 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: wolfmare@live.com [mailto:wolfmare@live.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:33 PM

Representative:

Name: deborah le may
Address: 701 Waldoboro Road
Address 2:
City: Washington
ZIP: 04574
Phone: 207 542 8624
Email: wolfmare@live.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am completely against any shifting around of....votes! For Gods sake- enough of this foolishness....Maine has integrity.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:17 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
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-----Original Message-----

From: gerhart@cybrzn.com [mailto:gerhart@cybrzn.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:18 PM

Representative:

Name: Lorraine Gerhart
Address: 901 FJ Street
Address 2:
City: Crivitz
ZIP: 54114
Phone: 715-854-2246
Email: gerhart@cybrzn.com

Topic:

Comments:

While I do not live in Maine, it appears to me that Maine should not jump on the bandwagon and start favoring a party. You have a law and a process and this should remain. Do not change the division of the state nor the requirement for 2/3 legislative vote.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:17 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Peoples, RepAnn (FWD)
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:18 PM

Representative:

Name: Ann Peoples
Address: 22 Garfield St
Address 2:
City: Westbrook
ZIP: 04092
Phone: 207-856-7262
Email: annpeoples116@msn.com

Topic:

Comments:

In the most respectful way possible, I'm questioning if the Republicans have lost their minds. Please think about how this looks to the people of the State, at large. Not everyone is a Republican, do you really want to go into an election year with something that looks like that?

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:17 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: bkinn333@gmail.com [mailto:bkinn333@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:13 PM

Representative:

Name: Barbara Kinney
Address: P.O.Box 167
Address 2:
City: Fayette
ZIP: 04349
Phone:
Email: bkinn333@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

There seems to be no justification for such drastic redistricting except to manipulate votes. This will be remembered in future elections!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
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To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cheetah@fairpoint.net [mailto:cheetah@fairpoint.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:08 PM

Representative:

Name: Sheila Thurber
Address: 2510 St. John Rd.
Address 2:
City: St. John Plantation
ZIP: 04743
Phone: 207-834-3070
Email: cheetah@fairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

I am totally against redistricting Maine, at least the way you are planning to do it. The southern part of Maine does not need any more political power. It is too powerful now. If we need any thing, it is an additional district that will benefit northern Maine, specifically, Aroostook/Northern Penobscot/Northern Piscataquis Counties. Why isn't our Governor and his cronies doing everything in their power to improve these areas of Maine, which are 3 of the poorest areas in our great State.

Aroostook County has been called "the other Maine" for a reason. We are left out of almost all "monies" handed out to so many in southern Maine, it is pathetic or given so little, it might as well be nothing at all.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:18 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mumme@maine.edu [mailto:mumme@maine.edu]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:03 PM

Representative:

Name: alice mumme
Address: 5 edgewood dr
Address 2:
City: orono
ZIP: 04473
Phone: 207 866-2655
Email: mumme@maine.edu

Topic:

Comments:

Stop the Republican onslaught against our voting freedom

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:18 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: dferrell1@hotmail.com [mailto:dferrell1@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:02 PM

Representative:

Name: Deborah Ferrell
Address: 22 Loon Drive
Address 2:
City: Newport
ZIP: 04953
Phone: 207-368-4769
Email: dferrell1@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please don't use redistricting as a way to fix the elections. Gerrymandering is despicable. The committee only needs to move one community to make the votes in each district nearly equal. Playing games with votes is UN-american.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:19 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: stepris@hotmail.com [mailto:stepris@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 6:54 PM

Representative:

Name: Stephen Hoekstra
Address: 1863 Stage Road
Address 2:
City: Etna
ZIP: 04434
Phone:
Email: stepris@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Come on guys, how does this make any sense?

Just add Vasselboro to the new District. Minimal impact.

Start governing, create some jobs and quit looking like partisan fools. Bad enough in DC, but here in Maine? Give me a break!

Steve Hoekstra
Etna, Maine

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:19 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: smelchikey@roadrunner.com [mailto:smelchikey@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 6:51 PM

Representative:

Name: Barbara Melchiskey
Address: 26 Curtis Ave.
Address 2:
City: Camden
ZIP: 04843
Phone: 236-9665
Email: smelchikey@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am astounded that anyone with a care for their constituents in Maine would even think of changing their Representation in the US House unless absolutely necessary. I ask any of you: "Why would you possibly consider this!!???" Our hard working Representatives know their constituents, understand what they face daily, and serve them with respect and caring.

The China/Vassalboro Plan seems the least disruptive and holds to the most common division known in the State. Please care for our people, not for some outside idea that will split us into an unweildy and absolutely unnecessary division.

Barbara Melchiskey

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
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To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: meredithares@yahoo.com [mailto:meredithares@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 6:47 PM

Representative:

Name: Meredith Ares
Address: 13 Norris Street
Address 2:
City: Searsport
ZIP: 04974
Phone: 207-548-1065
Email: meredithares@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

This redistricting proposal is politically motivated and is contrary to the spirit of democracy. It does not benefit Maine or the people of Maine in any way. It is an outrage.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:10 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Dcullum@maine.rr.com [mailto:Dcullum@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:48 PM

Representative:

Name: Doug Cullum
Address: P.O. Box 178
Address 2:
City: Cape Neddick
ZIP: 03902
Phone:
Email: Dcullum@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

Redistricting is just a blatant political ploy to load the bases in the Republican party's favor! Leave it pretty much alone to keep Chellie Pingree in her existing district!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:11 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: sedekiah@yahoo.com [mailto:sedekiah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:43 PM

Representative:

Name: John Dow
Address: 975 North road
Address 2:
City: Ripley
ZIP: 04930
Phone:
Email: sedekiah@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Reinventing maines districts to move 1/4 of maine from one district to another is not fair when a town of vassalbourough would surface in solving the problem.... we have five million dwelling structures i9n our state. and 1.2 million full time citizens... there are deep concerns in basing our entire industry on this.

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From: sedekiah@yahoo.com [mailto:sedekiah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:43 PM

Representative:

Name: John Dow
Address: 975 North road
Address 2:
City: Ripley
ZIP: 04930
Phone:
Email: sedekiah@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Reinventing maines districts to move 1/4 of maine from one district to another is not fair when a town of vassalborough would surface in solving the problem.... we have five million dwelling structures i9n our state. and 1.2 million full time citizens... there are deep concerns in basing our entire industry on this.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:13 AM
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Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jpitt58@gmail.com [mailto:jpitt58@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:16 PM

Representative:

Name: Julie Pitt
Address: 3 Debbie Avenue
Address 2:
City: Biddeford
ZIP: 04005
Phone:
Email: jpitt58@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Why redraw the lines now?

Is there any reason to redraw lines in such a drastic manner other than for the benefit of the Republican Party?

Sincerely, Julie Pitt

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:13 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: monty728@live.com [mailto:monty728@live.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:13 PM

Representative:

Name: Helen Colbath
Address: 43 Beech Street
Address 2:
City: Lisbon
ZIP: 04250
Phone:
Email: monty728@live.com

Topic:

Comments:

I think the LEAST DISRUPTIVE PLAN to achieve equity should be used - regardless of "party". Given the fact that the true population numbers had already changed by the time the census was published, I feel the Democrat's plan of redistricting just one town is the fairest solution for all concerned. I'm tired of the senseless waste of man-hours, energy, and money caused by the never-ending bickering. We need to direct our efforts and resources toward more critical issues facing our state and its citizens.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:14 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Kruger, Charles (FWD)
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:04 PM

Representative:

Name: Chuck Kruger
Address: 37 Green St
Address 2:
City: Thomaston
ZIP: 04861
Phone: 354-8928
Email: cbkruger@myfairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

The priority for this commission should be to comply with the law while minimizing the impact on people. The intent of the Republican plan is clearly to move 10,000 Republicans into the 2nd District. If the roles were reversed, and Democrats were doing this, Repubs would be howling.

Can't we be reasonable here? The purpose of redistricting is not to give one party advantage over the other.

Thank you for your consideration.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:14 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mcarthur28@zwi.net [mailto:mcarthur28@zwi.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:59 PM

Representative:

Name: Gillian McArthur
Address: 28 Clifton Street
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04101
Phone:
Email: mcarthur28@zwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

Tell the rabid Republican not to mess around with redistricting.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:15 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: ejharps@gmail.com [mailto:ejharps@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:51 PM

Representative:

Name: Edward Harris
Address: 63 Old Orrs Island Rd
Address 2:
City: Harpswell
ZIP: 04079
Phone:
Email: ejharps@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Redistricting should be as non-disruptive as possible. Moving the 4000 people of the Vassalboro area requires the least change for all, and keeps Lewiston in the 2nd district. I don't know how the Commission could defend with a straight face moving 360,000 people from one district to another when a much simpler and less disruptive alternative is on the table.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:15 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: lbe1014@gmail.com [mailto:lbe1014@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:46 PM

Representative:

Name: Lennie Eichman
Address: 1419 Main Street
Address 2:
City: Hartford
ZIP: 04220
Phone: 2073883349
Email: lbe1014@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Commissioners, The Republican redistricting plan is ridiculous and unconscienable. It appears to be politically motivated. It changes way too much. It is not thoughtful. Please do not allow this to be rammed through.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:15 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jenkinskeith@yahoo.com [mailto:jenkinskeith@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:45 PM

Representative:

Name: Ann Jenkins
Address: 128 Ledgelawn Ave
Address 2:
City: Bar Harbor
ZIP: 04609
Phone: 207-288-2971
Email: jenkinskeith@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I urge the commission to follow the Democrats' Vasselboro plan as the one that makes infinitely more sense.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:16 AM
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Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: benchmarkelec@aol.com [mailto:benchmarkelec@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:35 PM

Representative:

Name: Michael Donnelly
Address: 188 Bog Rd.
Address 2:
City: Rockland
ZIP: 04841
Phone:
Email: benchmarkelec@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

The blatant political attempt to redistribute voters to suit one party, the 39% party, only adds to the cynicism of the electorate. Let's try to be responsible members of society. You have an obligation to do what is right for Maine, not to satisfy a fringe group willing to win at all costs. Nothing is more sacred to a democracy than equal representation for all citizens.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:16 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: us5132@yahoo.com [mailto:us5132@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:33 PM

Representative:

Name: Jon Rosenthal
Address: 29 Branch Road
Address 2:
City: Damariscotta
ZIP: 04543
Phone:
Email: us5132@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I like my congressional district the way it is. This where I visit and shop. These are the people who shore my values. Please keep my home in the 1st district.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:07 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: evelynbell13@yahoo.com [mailto:evelynbell13@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:29 PM

Representative:

Name: Evelyn Goodwin
Address: P.O. Box 484
Address 2:
City: Trevett, Maine, 04571
ZIP: 04571
Phone: 2076330843
Email: evelynbell13@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican redistricting proposal is far too disruptive to voters. The fewest citizens should be reassigned. Sincerely, Evelyn Goodwin

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:07 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: spdarren@yahoo.com [mailto:spdarren@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:25 PM

Representative:

Name: Darren Szczechowicz
Address: 117 ELM STREET
Address 2:
City: NORTH BERWICK
ZIP: 03906
Phone:
Email: spdarren@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Democratic Redistricting Commission members,

Please do not support the Republican plan for redistricting. It makes no logistical sense to the people of Maine. The plans that Democrats have come up with is far more logical, with the minimum changes necessary to complete this required redistricting. Congresswoman Pingree and Congressman Michaud have been elected by their respective districts in our state; they need to remain in office as we have chosen them to represent us.

Sincerely,
Darren Szczechowicz
North Berwick, ME

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:07 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: lahuela@gmail.com [mailto:lahuela@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:05 PM

Representative:

Name: Stephen R, Small
Address: 15 Summer St.
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04102
Phone: 207-450-3918
Email: lahuela@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Republicans: Please don't disenfranchise your political opponents by making such callous and cynical moves to redistrict in order to favor your political party. You are killing our democracy and sinking our country. Democrats: Be reasonable and don't fret too much; this too will pass. Greens: Take heart: our time is nigh.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:08 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: sctet@fairpoint.net [mailto:sctet@fairpoint.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:56 PM

Representative:

Name: stan tetenman
Address: 55 Rockwood Lane
Address 2:
City: poland
ZIP: 04274
Phone:
Email: sctet@fairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Committee Members,
The least disruptive plan is to move 4,000 voters from one district to another. The Republican plan disrupts the voting of many thousands of voters in a gerrymandering plan. The purpose of the redistricting is to only even out the districts. If this is truly a non-partisan task, the movement of only 4,000 voters will accomplish the task. Anything more is showing the partisanship that is too pervasive within our system of governing.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:08 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: aquila42@gmail.com [mailto:aquila42@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:54 PM

Representative:

Name: Michael D. Kristan
Address: 5 Baker Street
Address 2:
City: Richmond
ZIP: 04357
Phone:
Email: aquila42@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Where are the JOBS you folks were so anxious to be creating?

Drop the politicking and get to work so that Mainers can have work to get to.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:08 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: upstairsmac@myfairpoint.net [mailto:upstairsmac@myfairpoint.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:47 PM

Representative:

Name: Belinda Pendleton
Address: Box 570 Searsport Ave
Address 2:
City: Belfast
ZIP: 04915
Phone:
Email: upstairsmac@myfairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

I do not support the GOP 'Redistricting' plan for 2 reasons.
First it smacks of self serving. Secondly, it will cost us the tax payers more money and more confusion as it requires more citizens to change districts.
thank you for these considerations.
Belinda Pendleton

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:09 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jmulin3339@gmail.com [mailto:jmulin3339@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:42 PM

Representative:

Name: Jerome Mullin
Address: P.O. Box 7063
Address 2:
City: Cape Porpoise
ZIP: 04014
Phone:
Email: jmulin3339@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am appalled by the Republican redistricting plan; it involves moving an enormous number of Mainers from one congressional district to another in a transparent attempt to gerrymander districts to be more favorable to their election chances. The attempt to move both of Maine's representatives into the same district based on their current hometowns is particularly arrogant and unnecessary. I have studied both proposals and the Democrats' plan seems much more logical to me, involves a minimum of shifting of towns from one district to another, and seems to be considerably more in keeping with existing sensible precedent and the Maine Supreme Court's instructions.

Thank you.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:09 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: skelley4195@yahoo.com [mailto:skelley4195@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:32 PM

Representative:

Name: Steven Kelley
Address: 16 Warrens Way
Address 2:
City: Kennebunk
ZIP: 04043
Phone:
Email: skelley4195@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:
8/22/11

Redistricting Commission:

I am very concerned with the Republican proposal for redistricting. It is my understanding that Governor LePage and the Republican leaders in the state were elected to create jobs. It is my understanding that Governor LePage and the elected Republican leaders claim to be working toward the creation of jobs for Maine residents. Why are we now spending time and money with a redistricting proposal that is nothing more than political gamesmanship? How much money is being wasted on a redistricting proposal that is unwanted and unnecessary? Are the Republican leaders aware that there is an additional \$17 million dollar shortfall in the budget because Mainers do not have jobs, and Republicans refuse to end welfare for wealthy Mainers?

I think it is time to end the Republican redistricting hocus pocus, the voting sleight of hand, pandering to the wealthy and corporate campaign dollar and earn a few votes the old fashioned way, by doing the People's Business!

Thank you.

Steven Kelley
16 Warrens Way
Kennebunk, ME 04043

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:09 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mn8luv@earthlink.net [mailto:mn8luv@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:30 PM

Representative:

Name: Greg Dorsey
Address: 347 Ocean Street
Address 2:
City: South Portland
ZIP: 04106
Phone:
Email: mn8luv@earthlink.net

Topic:

Comments:

It is outrageous that republicans are trying to push through such a biased and unfair redistricting plan. Please put a stop to it.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:10 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Mehockey58@yahoo.com [mailto:Mehockey58@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 9:14 PM

Representative:

Name: Scott Stymiest
Address: 255 Washington St.
Address 2:
City: Brewer
ZIP: 04412
Phone:
Email: Mehockey58@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

It seems to me all the GOP people care about is taking full control. LePage has done nothing to help this state so far for the HARD WORKING PEOPLE in this state. He only works on things that are in his own agenda {which seem to only be aimed at making blue collar people shake thier heads}.What ever happened to WE THE PEOPLE. our forfarthers did not set government up to control .They set it up to lead. We need to put these people on track. This is a good place to start. I travel the country for my work and havent worked in my home state since 2001 it would be good if they worried about Jobs instead of themselves.thank you {HARD WORKING MAINER} and proud of it

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:10 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: danny@maine4.us [mailto:danny@maine4.us]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:56 PM

Representative:

Name: Danny Waggoner
Address: 2 Prince Ave
Address 2:
City: Eastport
ZIP: 04631
Phone: 207 853-2798
Email: danny@maine4.us

Topic:

Comments:

It is very obvious that the Republican Party does not have the best interests in mind for the State of Maine.

Please do not fall into this pit and allow this re-districting to take place. Moving an elected official out of their own district is gerrymandering at its greatest.

Please do not lump Maine's two largest cities into a single district.

Thank You

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:04 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: blacksheepme@comcast.net [mailto:blacksheepme@comcast.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:50 AM

Representative:

Name: Jennifer Laskey VerPlanck
Address: 18 Wharf Rd.
Address 2:
City: Harpswell
ZIP: 04079
Phone:
Email: blacksheepme@comcast.net

Topic:

Comments:

If redistricting is such a good idea, why not let the people decide? Put it to a vote by the people who are going to be affected and see what they think. Is this a necessary change? Is this an initiative from the voters?? Or is it an attempt, as the newspapers have said, to manipulate the upcoming elections? If an elections outcome depends on extreme manipulation then is it worthwhile - for the majority of Mainers?? Because if your decision will not be good for the majority of Mainers, and it is their will to have this done, then nothing should be changed.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:04 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: chris@dirigo.net [mailto:chris@dirigo.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:17 AM

Representative:

Name: Christopher Johnson
Address: 3230 Turner Ridge Rd
Address 2:
City: Somerville
ZIP: 04348
Phone:
Email: chris@dirigo.net

Topic:

Comments:

The margin of error in the 2010 census is greater than the population difference between districts in either the Democratic or Republican plans. IOW it is not statistically valid to say that the Republican plan is more balanced than the Democratic plan. So why should we displace 360,000 Maine people? NO VALID REASON!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:04 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cf@midcoast.com [mailto:cf@midcoast.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 11:31 PM

Representative:

Name: Carolyn C. Foster
Address: 215 Martin Point Rd.
Address 2:
City: Friendship
ZIP: 04547-4322
Phone: 207 832-4826
Email: cf@midcoast.com

Topic:

Comments:

It is kind of ludicrous to argue that a discrepancy of one or three people is a laudable achievement when people are born, die, and move into or out of these proposed districts every day. The number of people displaced and the traditional communities of interest are more responsible considerations.

In that regard, Knox County is about to strengthen ties to its traditional communities of interest within the current First District. The restoration of passenger rail linking Rockland, the Knox County seat, with Portland and points southwest on the Amtrak line is promised for late 2012. Ditto for Lincoln and Sagadahoc Counties.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:05 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: ingrid3464@roadrunner.com [mailto:ingrid3464@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:59 PM

Representative:

Name: Ingrid Scott
Address: P.O. Box 806
Address 2:
City: Castine
ZIP: 04421
Phone: 207-326-9193
Email: ingrid3464@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

Gentleman (and ladies, if there are any on the Commission), I have looked at all the plans and maps in question, and respectfully request that you please reject the Republican plan and adopt the Democratic plan, as this would be the fairest and most historical-precedent-consistent way to go.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:05 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: onthroks@megalink.net [mailto:onthroks@megalink.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:53 PM

Representative:

Name: Nancy Willard
Address: 72 Alpine Shores
Address 2:
City: Bryant Pond
ZIP: .04219
Phone:
Email: onthroks@megalink.net

Topic:

Comments:

I e mailed my Representative, Jerrod Crocket, stating that I have voted in the 2nd District for 54 years and think changing Oxford and Franklin Counties to the 1st District stinks!! He replied that he is against it and has told at least one member of leadership as much. It is a truly dumb idea. I have utmost respect for Chellie Pingree but Mike Michaud has been my Rep., he knows me, I know him and that's all well and good.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:05 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: rody1@roadrunner.com [mailto:rody1@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:49 PM

Representative:

Name: Ross & Judy Paradis
Address: 40 US Rte 1
Address 2:
City: Frenchville
ZIP: 04745
Phone: 207-728-4854
Email: rody1@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

The GOP plan is driven by a desire to create mayhem in the electoral map and to drive Congresspersons Pingree and Michaud out of office. How low can that party go?! The Dems plan is far less politically minded and much more palatable.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:06 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: alison500@harbart.net [mailto:alison500@harbart.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:38 PM

Representative:

Name: Alison Harris
Address: 38 Cumberland Street
Address 2:
City: Brunswick
ZIP: 04011
Phone: 207-729-0787
Email: alison500@harbart.net

Topic:

Comments:

I see no legitimate reason to move one quarter of Mainers from one district to another when moving one town of 4,340 meets the obligation to create two districts of reasonably equal population. The Republican scheme is unnecessarily disruptive and, in removing the hometown of a sitting Congressman from her district, just a bit vindictive.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:06 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Courtney.naliboff@gmail.com [mailto:Courtney.naliboff@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:37 PM
To: Condon, Carolyn
Subject: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

Representative:

Name: Courtney Naliboff
Address: 565 South Shore Road
Address 2:
City: North Haven
ZIP: 04853
Phone:
Email: Courtney.naliboff@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Redistricting robs the island communities of representation.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:06 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Selmar2@Hotmail.com [mailto:Selmar2@Hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:36 PM

Representative:

Name: Selina Martin
Address: P.O. Box 446
Address 2:
City: Tenants Harbor
ZIP: 04860
Phone: 207-372-6491
Email: Selmar2@Hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican Plan to move over 300,000 voters from the districts they are now in seems ludicrous to me. It is especially illogical and personally annoying to me to move Knox County and other mid-coast areas from the First to the Second district. It also seems blatantly political to move us away from Chellie Pingree whom we know and who knows us and our needs and issues. The state Supreme Court decided well the last time and I think that the least disruption possible to that plan would be best. Please choose either the Vassalboro Plan (best) or the China Vassalboro Plan.

Thank you for your consideration,
Selina Martin

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:07 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: lmw.dignity@yahoo.com [mailto:lmw.dignity@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:35 PM

Representative:

Name: Lindamarie M McDonald
Address: 1379 North High Street
Address 2:
City: Bridgton
ZIP: 04009
Phone:
Email: lmw.dignity@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please do not support this radical plan!! Leave Chellie Pingree alone, an keep things the way they are.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: corey.butler@maine.edu [mailto:corey.butler@maine.edu]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:53 PM

Representative:

Name: Corey Butler
Address: 1 Webster Road
Address 2:
City: Orono
ZIP: 04473
Phone:
Email: corey.butler@maine.edu

Topic:

Comments:

This is such pointless politics. This is in order to improve the GOP's chances of unseating Congressman Mike Michaud and they also want to kick Congresswoman Chellie Pingree out of her own district. They're essentially rearranging borders to make the state seats more likely to be theirs. Isn't there something more productive that our elected officials could be doing that stacking the deck with partisan politics?

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:01 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: donna.pratt@roadrunner.com [mailto:donna.pratt@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:53 PM

Representative:

Name: Donna Pratt
Address: 118 Burnham Drive
Address 2:
City: Naples
ZIP: 04055
Phone:
Email: donna.pratt@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

Keep it simple and have it effect as little and a few people as possible to meet the requirements.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:01 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cduncans@maine.rr.com [mailto:cduncans@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:40 AM

Representative:

Name: Carol Duncanson
Address: 41 Carlson St.
Address 2:
City: Westbrook
ZIP: 04092
Phone:
Email: cduncans@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please stop this redistricting. It's a waste of time and energy. It only benefits the GOP. It's unnecessary. Thank you! Carol Duncanson

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:02 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cynthia.handlen@gmail.com [mailto:cynthia.handlen@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:16 AM

Representative:

Name: Cynthia Handlen
Address: 76 Mount Tumbledown Rd
Address 2:
City: Gilead
ZIP: 04217
Phone: 2078362155
Email: cynthia.handlen@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

WE do not need our voting districts redrawn. Please do not allow this to happen.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:02 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jonny6412003@yahoo.com [mailto:jonny6412003@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 5:54 AM

Representative:

Name: Craig johnson
Address: 37 bay syreet
Address 2:
City: winslow
ZIP: 04901
Phone:
Email: jonny6412003@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I,m getting real sick of the republicans extreme agenda.they are making alot of enemys myself included.goung to work hard to make sure the idiot lepage only serbes one term

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:02 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: carey3d@gmail.com [mailto:carey3d@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 5:27 AM

Representative:

Name: Carey Donovan
Address: P.O. Box 33
Address 2:
City: Bernard
ZIP: 04612
Phone:
Email: carey3d@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I have two comments.

One is that I believe we should keep the present system in place: 2/3 majority of the legislature for approval, with the courts making a plan if the legislature is not able to agree on a plan.

Second is that I think it is in all of our interests to have districts that are competitive between the two parties. I think this is currently the case in Maine, where both districts have a history of being represented by members of both parties. I think it is well recognized nationally that if districts were more competitive (not gerrymandered) we would have more representatives that needed to appeal to a broad range of interests and were less likely to be extreme in either direction -- leading to a healthier process in Washington. Since the current division does that, it would be wise to keep it as a model with minor changes to account for population shifts.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:03 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: portclydecowboy@gmail.com [mailto:portclydecowboy@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 5:08 AM

Representative:

Name: Gary Libby
Address: PO BOX 91
Address 2:
City: Port Clyde
ZIP: 04855
Phone: 2073728462
Email: portclydecowboy@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I think the split should be more coastal and inland, because of issues of fishing on the coast and farming and logging in the inland areas. The Representatives should be more informed if they live in the areas that they are making decisions, and a smaller learning curve on issues

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:03 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cldrisher@juno.com [mailto:cldrisher@juno.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:12 AM

Representative:

Name: Claire Riser
Address: PO BOX 334
Address 2:
City: Waldoboro
ZIP: 04572
Phone:
Email: cldrisher@juno.com

Topic:

Comments:

My brother and his family, my mother, and I are all residents of and registered voters in Lincoln County currently in District 1. Our doctors are located in District 1, many in Cumberland County. The hospitals that we use are in District 1, including Cumberland County. When we fly, we use the Portland Jetport as do our relatives who visit us from other states. When we leave Lincoln and Knox Counties to shop, it is most often to Brunswick or Portland that we go. We seldom travel north of Camden. I am, therefore, totally opposed to being moved into District 2. Moreover, Knox and Lincoln Counties, as coastal counties largely dependent on fishing and tourism have far more in common with the current District 1 counties than they would have with most of District 2. Why force over 300,000 people to change districts when you could balance the two congressional districts by changing only one town and fewer than 5000 people? Let's use some common sense!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: willbe@tidewater.net [mailto:willbe@tidewater.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:22 PM

Representative:

Name: William J. Brown
Address: 16 Frohock Drive
Address 2:
City: Lincolnville
ZIP: 04849
Phone:
Email: willbe@tidewater.net

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican plan relocates two entire county's populations (Lincoln and Knox) into the Northern District as well as Lewiston's population into the Southern District. That is a huge displacement. The Democratic plan relocates one township (Vasselboro); a far more reasonable displacement. Minimal impact of displacement is one of the main guidelines for redistricting, therefore the Democratic plan is by far better in this regard.

The call call total equality of populations between districts is nearly comparable:
Republican plan = 1 voter difference/ Democratic plan = 11 voters difference.
Surely 10 voters difference, of the entire state's voting population does not warrant the magnitude of displacement that the Republican's call for.

Please do the right thing and call for the democratic plan to be the one put forth to the Legislature for a vote, and please include these remarks in the Public Record for this Hearing. I'd drive to Augusta IF I could afford to, but these words should carry equal weight with you; as if I were standing before you at the podium.

Thank you,

- William J. Brown, Lincolnville

In addition, Knox County has already been through this ploy once before, in 22003, and won in court, its right to remain in the 1st District. It's business association with the cities southwest of it far outweighs that of those north, west and east of it. Changing districts would also further tax transportation costs to see constituents and participate with their new district.

This, in energy cost makes no sense. It does not reflect our need to streamline and economize in our legislative infrastructure at all.

In the name of the "bi-partisan compromise" there is no "middle of the road" compromise here.

For the sake of a 10 voter difference between districts, the Democratic plan is clearly the "hands down" winner when all qualifiers are considered. The Republican plan requires a huge restructuring of boundaries, displacement of people, AND (when their motives become clear, which takes a nano second) their plan is simply a calculated plan to shift the voting weight to their benefit for the next election.

Frankly said: this would better position Kevin Raye of Perry to improve his odds in running against Mike Michaud. And more frankly said: why are the Republicans using us

(Maine's voters) as they'd use pawns in a chess game or as soldiers in a game of Risk. We are people, people who vote for them to do a job for the "people" while they're in Augusta. They are not there to instill all possible advantages for self-perpetuation.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: ruddyducks@ezmoneyauctions.biz [mailto:ruddyducks@ezmoneyauctions.biz]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:23 PM

Representative:

Name: Kathleen Connors
Address: 19 Westwind Drive
Address 2:
City: Topsham
ZIP: 04086
Phone: 207-725-1462
Email: ruddyducks@ezmoneyauctions.biz

Topic:

Comments:

Yes, you need to address shifts in population-but in the way that disrupts the fewest people. We are supposed to have a government FOR the people-not use people as pawns, which is certainly what the Republican proposal looks and feels like. Show some common sense, and, dare I say it, class.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: revrafa@gmail.com [mailto:revrafa@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:28 PM

Representative:

Name: Rev. Ralph Moore
Address: 191 West Meadow Road
Address 2:
City: Rockland
ZIP: 04841
Phone: 596-0421
Email: revrafa@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

It is neither rationally convincing nor faithful to the constitutional intent of census-oriented district definition to make such drastic changes as are proposed by the Republican delegates. It should be neither partisan nor biased in the context of future elections, but rather, representative of populations in areas that are as close to being equal in count of citizens and at the same time geographically cogent as is possible. Based on my sense of fairness and orderly transition, the plan submitted by the Democratic delegates is the preferred option. Please do not send us to court because you come up with a gerrymandered monstrosity.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW

-----Original Message-----

From: tommurphy@mac.com [mailto:tommurphy@mac.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:30 PM

Representative:

Name: Tom Muphy
Address: P.O. Box 1024
Address 2:
City: Rockport
ZIP: 04856
Phone: 207-542-4998
Email: tommurphy@mac.com

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Commission Members,

It's in the best interests of all Mainers, especially unenrolled voters, for the redistricting plan to move as few people as possible to achieve balanced districts. The best way to achieve a partisan advantage is to run popular, well-qualified candidates, not gerrymander the districts.

Thanks,

Tom

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:59 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: bryantr_pop@yahoo.com [mailto:bryantr_pop@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:30 PM

Representative:

Name: Bryant R Richardson
Address: 82 Maquoit Road
Address 2:
City: Brunswick
ZIP: 04011
Phone: 2073199696
Email: bryantr_pop@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

My belief is that all districts should be as close to square as the population density allows. The entire issue has become political instead of accounting, where it has always belonged. Think of the cost savings on current and future redistricting if it were minimally adjusted by an algorithm in seconds rather than the months of taxpayer-funded arguing amongst unyielding left- and right-wingers. After all, it's the Bank of ME, and YOU, that's paying for the AC, electric, janitorial, security and other personel's salaries at all of these public meetings that in the end, our representatives will conveniently forget and do what their "party" wants them to do anyway.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:59 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: fw

-----Original Message-----

From: kenconverse@qualityimages.biz [mailto:kenconverse@qualityimages.biz]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:35 PM

Representative:

Name: Ken Converse
Address: 474 S Bridgton Rd
Address 2:
City: Bridgton
ZIP: 04009-3942
Phone:
Email: kenconverse@qualityimages.biz

Topic:

Comments:

Maine has a long history of bipartisan redistricting. The current Republican proposal backed by a governor who thinks he has a "mandate" at 39% of the electorate shows the true colors of the current right wing ideologues. Shame on you! The people of Maine deserve (and asked for) better than what you hacks are offering.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:59 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Edpraul@fairpoint.net [mailto:Edpraul@fairpoint.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:36 PM

Representative:

Name: Darryl Praul
Address: PO Box 157
Address 2:
City: Windsor
ZIP: 04363
Phone:
Email: Edpraul@fairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Committee Members,

I am unable to attend the meeting tomorrow, but want to voice my opposition to the redistricting plan that combines Lewiston and Portland, and changes much of the state. As these plans commonly are, it is clearly politically motivated. It makes much more sense to recharacterize one small town with no other political disruption and potential unforeseen consequences. Thank you for your common sense consideration.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:59 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: sharkey@maine.edu [mailto:sharkey@maine.edu]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:40 PM

Representative:

Name: Lee Sharkey
Address: 241 Stream Rd.
Address 2:
City: Vienna
ZIP: 04360
Phone: 2072932390
Email: sharkey@maine.edu

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Members of the Redistricting Commission:

I urge you to reject the Republican proposal to radically remake Maine's congressional districts. My hometown of Vienna, now in the 1st district, would be shuffled to the 2nd, while Farmington, now in the 2nd, would be bounced to the 1st, though contiguous Temple would remain in the 2nd. What is the sense of all this, other than to alter the demographics of the districts to advantage one party in the next election and to deprive Chellie Pingree of residence in the district she represents? Many of us have developed personal relationships with our Congressional representatives and would like to sustain them. Our representatives have developed areas of expertise pertinent to the economy and natural environment of their districts. It would make far more sense, and be less costly and disruptive, simply to shift the town of Vassalboro to the 2nd district and leave everything else as it is.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Lee Sharkey

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: celtic_aquarian@hotmail.com [mailto:celtic_aquarian@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:46 PM

Representative:

Name: Douglas Leitch
Address: 260 Clark Island Rd
Address 2:
City: Spruce Head
ZIP: 04859
Phone:
Email: celtic_aquarian@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

There is no logical reason to redistrict Maine in a way that favors one party over any other. That is called gerrymandering and is wrong and a very offensive political ploy to game the system.

I have no problem with making minor changes that would make Maine's two districts more equal in size. I have serious problems and would be upset if there were more significant tinkering done (i.e. the Republican plan) in order to create a more favorable district for them. That is not in the American spirit of fairness or even-handedness. Enough of their nonsense and gamesmanship!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jespersen@beeline-online.net [mailto:jespersen@beeline-online.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:49 PM

Representative:

Name: Betty Jespersen
Address: P.O. Box 341
Address 2:
City: Farmington
ZIP: 04938
Phone: 778-6991
Email: jespersen@beeline-online.net

Topic:

Comments:

I am totally against changing the 2nd District to the Republican's plan that would move a big chunk of western Maine into the 1st District. It makes no sense and seems like a political ploy.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:52 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jnkef@yahoo.com [mailto:jnkef@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:57 PM

Representative:

Name: Jean Keefe
Address: 6 Hot Dog Rd
Address 2:
City: Greene
ZIP: 04236-0068
Phone:
Email: jnkef@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

It would seem to make more sense to disrupt as few voters as possible and leave Lewiston and Portland in separate districts.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:53 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cliftonpagedesign@yahoo.co.uk [mailto:cliftonpagedesign@yahoo.co.uk]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:58 PM

Representative:

Name: Clifton McMullen Page
Address: 110 Curtis Cove Road
Address 2:
City: East Blue Hill
ZIP: 04629
Phone:
Email: cliftonpagedesign@yahoo.co.uk

Topic:

Comments:

As an independent voter I cannot support the proposed GOP redistricting plan. It is far too great a change than is necessary to balance the two congressional districts, which I understand were last established by the Maine Court System as being fair and equitable. Clearly such major change as that proposed by the GOP is in that party's interest and contrary to the last court redistricting plan. If this is the way the GOP intends to behave it is very unlikely I will support GOP candidates in the future as I have in the past. This State and this nation are tired of petty party politics overriding the interests and needs of the people as a whole.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:55 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: sgflikchik@aol.com [mailto:sgflikchik@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:59 PM

Representative:

Name: sharon james
Address: 11A union street
Address 2:
City: camden
ZIP: 04843
Phone:
Email: sgflikchik@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please, please, act like grownups and do the redistricting so that it is as fair and 50-50ish as it can be. Do not do nothing, and then claim you have to stick to your principles, blah blah. The American people, Dems and Republicans, are sick to death of seeing you, hearing you, and watching you all embarrass us by not compromising. We need some good news about you all - you, the people we have elected to represent us, not yourselves, and certainly not any big business contributions that might be behind your election.

Thank you.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:55 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: clocke@uninets.net [mailto:clocke@uninets.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:04 PM

Representative:

Name: Carolyn Locke
Address: 66 Barker Road
Address 2:
City: Troy
ZIP: 04987
Phone:
Email: clocke@uninets.net

Topic:

Comments:

I am unable to attend tomorrow's hearing because of work obligations, but I do want to voice my opinion of the Republican redistricting plan and urge the commission to reject it. The plan requires an unnecessary shifting of a large number of people and offers no clear benefits to the people of the state of Maine. When it comes to redistricting, I believe the commission should select a plan which requires as little change to existing lines as possible. It seems clear to me that there must be a hidden agenda whenever a group proposes large scale changes when something more simple would meet the requirement for equalizing population in a state's districts.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:55 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: signsong1@myfairpoint.net [mailto:signsong1@myfairpoint.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:04 PM

Representative:

Name: Jay Peterson
Address: 625 Sedgwick Rd
Address 2:
City: Sedgwick
ZIP: 04676
Phone: 359-5559
Email: signsong1@myfairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

The plan to make such a massive shift of hundreds of thousands of Maine voters is nothing more than a page out of Tom De Lay's book. Why move 15 times as many voters as are legally required to be shifted? The answer is simple, the4 GOP and Le Page want vengeance, and to use their new and hopefully short-lived choke hold on the state to force Pingree out of her district. This is Gerrymandering the likes which we haven't ever seen in New England. It's disgraceful.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cyberjla@earthlink.net [mailto:cyberjla@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:05 PM

Representative:

Name: Jarryl Larson
Address: 12 Spruce Ridge Rd,
Address 2:
City: Edgecomb
ZIP: 04556
Phone: 207 882 5059
Email: cyberjla@earthlink.net

Topic:

Comments:

What is a better plan would be two equally divided districts that representatives would truly represent all interests in the State of Maine, north, south, east and west.

You do this by giving one large city (Portland) to one district and Augusta to the other. After that you checkerboard the state keeping numbers and locations equal such that in the end voter numbers are the same and both districts have an equal number of residents NEWS (north-east-west-south).

This keeps the games our and helps the representative learn more about the whole state thereby keeping everyone's concerns on the table and in the solution.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

-----Original Message-----

From: jmcman@millinocket.lib.me.us [mailto:jmcman@millinocket.lib.me.us]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:06 PM

Representative:

Name: John McManus
Address: 100 Pamola Park
Address 2:
City: Millinocket
ZIP: 04462
Phone:
Email: jmcman@millinocket.lib.me.us

Topic:

Comments:

I hope that the Redistricting Commission turns down the Republican proposal. Perhaps it's not a political move, but chances are that they are stacking the deck against Democrats and Independents.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jlsully2@gmail.com [mailto:jlsully2@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:07 PM

Representative:

Name: Jean Sullivan
Address: 1326 Forest Ave Unit 11
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04103
Phone:
Email: jlsully2@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please do not accept the Republican's plan to redesign the Congressional Districts.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: E

-----Original Message-----

From: joestone@midcoast.com [mailto:joestone@midcoast.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:10 PM

Representative:

Name: Joseph L. Stone
Address: 148 Crabtree Point Road
Address 2:
City: North Haven
ZIP: 04853
Phone: 207 867-4660
Email: joestone@midcoast.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am writing to support the Democratic Redistricting Plan and to comment on the Republican Plan. I can only say, that if implemented, the Republicans' plan represents the sad and complete degeneration of the party of Abraham Lincoln and Joshua Chamberlain. The closest comparison I can make is to the blatant power-grubbing of 19th century big city machine politics.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:57 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cheriemason@zwi.net [mailto:cheriemason@zwi.net]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:16 PM

Representative:

Name: Cherie & Ken Mason
Address: P.O.Box 39
Address 2:
City: Sunset
ZIP: 04683
Phone:
Email: cheriemason@zwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

How unsubtle can the Republicans get? Their redistricting plan is a blatant attempt to defeat Michaud and Pingree. It must not happen.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:57 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: aunt_putz@hotmail.com [mailto:aunt_putz@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:18 PM

Representative:

Name: Bethany Larrabee
Address: 29 Munroe Lane
Address 2:
City: Topsham
ZIP: 04086
Phone: 2077256704
Email: aunt_putz@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please do what is best for the State of Maine...not what is best for your political party.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:57 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: fhample351@aol.co [mailto:fhample351@aol.co]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 5:19 PM

Representative:

Name: Frank Hample
Address: 100 Sand Hill Road
Address 2:
City: Somerville
ZIP: 04348
Phone:
Email: fhample351@aol.co

Topic:

Comments:

We have a Federal Budget deficit. The Republican redistricting Plan clearly demonstrates a deficit of common sense.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:39 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: bonniebpotter@gmail.com [mailto:bonniebpotter@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:38 AM

Representative:

Name: Bonnie Potter
Address: 23 Tukey Lane
Address 2:
City: Chamberlain
ZIP: 04541
Phone: 207-677-2527
Email: bonniebpotter@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

This redistricting plan is blatant politics. Representatives should be tackling real problems in the state and reelection results will reflect those efforts. Manipulation of the voting population should be off the table!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: NancyCAnderson@hotmail.com [mailto:NancyCAnderson@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:53 AM

Representative:

Name: Nancy C. Anderson & Dale Gowen
Address: 47 Sturdivant Road
Address 2:
City: Cumberland
ZIP: 04110
Phone:
Email: NancyCAnderson@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please adopt a redistricting plan that (1) changes the Congressional district of the smallest number of people and (2) keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district so that they can be represented by one Congressman. It has been extremely useful for Maine that five of the last six First Congressional District representatives have served on the Armed Services Committee, where they have been able to support Maine's shipbuilding interests.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: rleigh252@yahoo.com [mailto:rleigh252@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:54 AM

Representative:

Name: R.L. Slaughter
Address: 25 Fessenden St. #2
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04103
Phone:
Email: rleigh252@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Altering the district lines may be required and that is understandable, but altering the lines to the degree proposed by republicans is very bad for the people.. it makes more sense to limit to a town or city being shifted, than a whole region.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:07 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: wordplay@tds.net [mailto:wordplay@tds.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:05 AM

Representative:

Name: Robert MacLaughlin
Address: 190 Birch Lane
Address 2:
City: Warren
ZIP: 04864
Phone: 273-3433
Email: wordplay@tds.net

Topic:

Comments:

Hey, knock it off, you guys! Leave the districts alone.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:48 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: galeyrie@mac.com [mailto:galeyrie@mac.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:24 PM

Representative:

Name: Sarah Barrows
Address: 71 Ledgewood Drive
Address 2:
City: Falmouth
ZIP: 04105
Phone:
Email: galeyrie@mac.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am appalled at the Republican plan. This does NOT serve the people of Maine.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:48 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: rthackerayjr@yahoo.com [mailto:rthackerayjr@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 4:19 PM

Representative:

Name: Richard Thackeray
Address: 84 Talbot Ave
Address 2:
City: Rockland
ZIP: 04841
Phone: 2072338697
Email: rthackerayjr@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I support the China-Vassalboro plan, which would maintain the present north-south split between the two districts with minor revisions to Kennebec County. I oppose the Republican Plan, which would gerrymander the district maps in a way that undercuts the Democratic spirit of our state.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:51 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Beavers, RepRoberta (FWD)
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:52 PM

Representative:

Name: Roberta Beavers
Address: 72 Woodland Hills
Address 2:
City: South Berwick
ZIP: 03908
Phone:
Email: rbbeavers@comcast.net

Topic:

Comments:

Please consider a common sense US Congressional redistricting plan that is the most cost effective for our communities and disrupts the least number of citizens. Please keep politics out of the consideration.

Thank you,
Representative Roberta B Beavers
District 148, serving the people of Eliot and South Berwick (part)

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 7:52 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: johnfamily1@bigfoot.com [mailto:johnfamily1@bigfoot.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 4:57 PM

Representative:

Name: Frank John
Address: 185 Flye Point Road
Address 2:
City: Brooklin
ZIP: 04616
Phone:
Email: johnfamily1@bigfoot.com

Topic:

Comments:

I oppose the Republican redistricting plan. Maine's population distribution has not changed in the past 10 years and this is an obvious ploy to "stack the deck" in future elections.

Do not allow this radical redistricting plan to go forward.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:08 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: outwood@zwi.net [mailto:outwood@zwi.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:01 AM

Representative:

Name: David Wood
Address: 4 The Ledges
Address 2:
City: Hallowell
ZIP: 04347
Phone:
Email: outwood@zwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

There is about a 1.3% difference without any changes. After redistricting, population shifts may change again to equal the difference today. I don't think major changes are required.

Let's not waste a lot of time on this. Make a simple change without changing congressional districts.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 3:16 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: maryincass@gwi.net [mailto:maryincass@gwi.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 3:14 PM

Representative:

Name: Mary Hunter
Address: 11 Talbot Ave.
Address 2:
City: Rockland
ZIP: 04841
Phone:
Email: maryincass@gwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

To the Redistricting Committee and Legistaltive Leaders; After attending the Public being at the State House yesterday, room 228, I listened to all sides from just after 9:00 am until 11:25. I thought about saying how I felt about the up-coming redistricting, but after listening to those who already had spoken, from my district #1,, chose to have faith in those who are to come to the right decision, when finally called to do so, with the correct one,, for the GOOD OF ALL. In these times of so many out of work, funds cut, prices rising for vehicles, boats, diesel out of price to many, that the Democrats Plan will show to make the most sense out of it all..

Thank you for taking the time out of your busy lives, to come to a decision that is best for all.

Sincerely,
Mary Hunter

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 12:05 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: rxhutton@zwi.net [mailto:rxhutton@zwi.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 11:14 AM

Representative:

Name: Rabyrne Hutton
Address: 195 High Street
Address 2:
City: Bath
ZIP: 04530
Phone: 207-443-1555
Email: rxhutton@zwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

Mr. Chairman, Committee Members,

I send this as an observer to the hearing held on August 23, 2011.

First a brief introduction: I am retired from corporate America after spending over 42 years in Information Technology analyzing and programming for business solutions. I also have a small at home business to supplement my income, but analysis was my calling.

The Hearing:

First I noticed that the first speakers that spoke all seem to have been selected from the "NO" group, most of the first 20 in fact. and they all were using "talking points such as, "displacing people", "radical realignment"; as well as personal attacks against members of the GOP side of the committee and of course the blatant attack on the Senate President by one Susan Cook. These actions were uncalled for, and I care not which side would have presented such, it was uncalled for. Ms. Cook should have been asked to step down when she started her diatribe. Mr. Chairman, you made it very clear what was expected and a couple of those from the public chose to ignore your request.

The opposition to the GOP plan centered on emotion and the fact that they continue to promote the 2 Maine's situation. They all talked about themselves, not what was best for Maine and the talking point terms used held no logic what so ever.

Most of the pro GOP plan seem to focus on the reasons for the realignment and in fact the presentation by Tyler Washburn. I thought he did a commendable job presenting his argument. I highly recommend you all read his presentation in depth, he does his homework. And, yes, I am acquainted with the young man.

For me, I strongly support the GOP plan for the following reasons, and these were well stated during the hearing:

1. It more aligns Maine on an east/west orientation as opposed to north/south.
2. Balances out the median income of the people in each district. A \$5000 difference is a big difference between the two as we have now.
3. Will require both representatives to be more in turn with the states needs overall as oppose to a segment of our state.
4. Looking at the plans presented during the meeting, in my analysis, the GOP just looks more logical.
5. Yes, I do realize that some who have always been in CD-1 would be moved into CD-2, but that is not a criteria to keep things aligned close to the current boundaries.
6. There is no real reason to keep both Bath Iron Works and the Kittery Shipyard in the

same district. See item 3. Oh, I draw part of my retirement from having worked at BIW for part of my career.

7. People are NOT being displaced, that comes under using fear to try and sway the outcome.

As for the charges that the GOP side is using politics for this realignment, well the Dem. side did the same in years past. Talk about the GOP gerrymandering is a false argument. The Dem. are trying to keep the current boundaries and they are more gerrymandered then the GOP plan. Will it help the GOP in 2012? I really do not know. It all depends on the quality of the candidate. I have often split my vote and vote for the candidate I feel will best represent me! Yes and in 10 years, if the Dem. have charge, I have no doubt that they will want to redefine the lines if the population differences require it.

Respectfully,

Rabyrne Hutton
195 High Street
Bath, Me. 04530

207-443-1555

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 11:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: peglang@fairpoint.net [mailto:peglang@fairpoint.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 11:30 PM

Representative:

Name: Margaret Lang
Address: 87 Cumner Road
Address 2:
City: Vienna
ZIP: 04360
Phone:
Email: peglang@fairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

The plan that moves the least number of people makes sense. The other plan is not even close. There appears to be an ulterior motive in the Republican Plan. Please don't continue the nonsense of sticking with the party regardless of common sense. This is Maine. I thought we were above the party bickering.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 11:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: fsvatek@maine.rr.com [mailto:fsvatek@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:46 PM

Representative:

Name: Frank Svatek
Address: P.O. Box 2002
Address 2:
City: Biddeford
ZIP: 04005
Phone:
Email: fsvatek@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

How typically two faced can the republicans get? When the majority of citizens are totally fed up with ALL politicians it seems to me such obvious political game playing by the Republicans is an act of supreme hubris. Their plan does not deserve even the most minimal consideration. Any attention paid to this plan is an insult to ALL Mainers.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 11:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mcushman@chebeague.net [mailto:mcushman@chebeague.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:46 PM

Representative:

Name: Mary Cushma
Address: 6 Huddum Circle
Address 2:
City: Chebeague Island
ZIP: 04017
Phone: 846-6263
Email: mcushman@chebeague.net

Topic:

Comments:

I think this redistricting idea is ridiculous. It feels like a naked ploy by Republicans to stack the deck in their own favor, forcing Pingree and Michaud to run against one another. The districts as they now stand have been clear for a long time. There's an old adage, which Governor LePage ought to like: if it ain't broke, don't fix it!

The Republicans can bank on it: at the polls the favor will eventually be returned.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 10:59 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: davoakes@midcoast.com [mailto:davoakes@midcoast.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:25 PM

Representative:

Name: Dave Oakes
Address: 60 Blueberry Hill Road
Address 2:
City: Hope
ZIP: 04847
Phone: 207 230-4025
Email: davoakes@midcoast.com

Topic:

Comments:

I urge you to stop the redistricting plan. Maine has a history of stellar leaders: people like Ed Musky, George Mitchell, Margaret Chase Smith, Bill Cohen, and others. People who put the interest of Maine people ahead of their own. People who put the interests of Maine ahead of their political persuasions. The redistricting plan is politically motivated, betrays the Maine people, and is a bad idea.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 8:31 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: wells.ellen.b@gmail.com [mailto:wells.ellen.b@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 9:17 PM

Representative:

Name: Ellen Wells
Address: 4 CCIA Road
Address 2:
City: South Bristo
ZIP: 04568
Phone:
Email: wells.ellen.b@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

The proposed redistricting must be defeated. There is no excuse for moving thousands of Mainers from one district to another when moving about 4,000 will accomplish the required parity. Those who oppose this plan will have my support in the next election.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 8:21 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: susanlubner@hotmail.com [mailto:susanlubner@hotmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 8:47 PM

Representative:

Name: Susan Lubner
Address: 51 Bedford St.
Address 2:
City: Bath
ZIP: 04530
Phone: 2074437481
Email: susanlubner@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please, keep the redistricting as simple and as workable as possible. It has worked for quite a while the way it is--why not keep it as close to that as possible. Life/politics are complicated enough without making them any more complicated and possibly very dysfunctional. Thank you

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 8:21 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: pkee9@roadrunner.com [mailto:pkee9@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 6:39 PM

Representative:

Name: paula kee
Address: p. o. box 1007
Address 2:
City: Bucksport
ZIP: 04416
Phone:
Email: pkee9@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

i believe the redistricting plan the democrats have put forward, which involves moving only one town from one district to another, makes the most sense, and very much hope you will decide in favor of that plan.

paula kee
bucksport, maine

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 8:20 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: e_s_lowell@yahoo.com [mailto:e_s_lowell@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 4:35 PM

Representative:

Name: Elizabeth S. Lowell
Address: 30 West Street, Apt. 13
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04102
Phone:
Email: e_s_lowell@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Redistricting should be done with as little disruption as possible. We don't need to go back to Square One.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 8:20 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Benjaminsapiens@aol.com [mailto:Benjaminsapiens@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:58 PM

Representative:

Name: Benjamin Richard
Address: 39 Highland Ave.
Address 2:
City: Bradley
ZIP: 04411
Phone:
Email: Benjaminsapiens@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican redistricting plan is nothing but a shameless and blatant attempt at gerrymandering. The current districts separate the state into two logical halves: northern Maine and southern Maine, which are culturally and economically unique regions in the real world. The Democratic plan makes small changes to this current arrangement, while the Republican plan proposes to chop the state up along a line that seems to have no basis in the demographics of our state.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2011 8:19 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: cm.taylor@live.com [mailto:cm.taylor@live.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:41 PM

Representative:

Name: Christine Taylor
Address: 461 Pemaquid Harbor Rd.
Address 2:
City: Pemaquid
ZIP: 04558
Phone:
Email: cm.taylor@live.com

Topic:

Comments:

These proposed changes should NOT be made unless they are based solely on truly reliable demographic data.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:35 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jhwsunny@live.com [mailto:jhwsunny@live.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:11 PM

Representative:

Name: Joyce Worcester
Address: PO Box 1552
Address 2:
City: Southwest Harbor
ZIP: 04679
Phone:
Email: jhwsunny@live.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please don't do this.

Keep the odds as they have been. Works doesn't?

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:35 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: kgrose@maine.rr.com [mailto:kgrose@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 2:10 PM

Representative:

Name: Katie Grose
Address: 844 Pool Street
Address 2:
City: Biddeford
ZIP: 04005
Phone: 207-450-9154
Email: kgrose@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker. For example, five of the last six first Congressional district representatives have served on the Armed Services committee, developing an expertise critical to economic development for the shipyard regions.

The Republican Plan is not good for the well-being of the State of Maine and I urgent the rejection of their proposal.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 1:01 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mainefolks2@yahoo.com [mailto:mainefolks2@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:48 PM

Representative:

Name: Susan Folk
Address: 500 Old County Road
Address 2:
City: Rockland
ZIP: 04841
Phone: 207-596-3058
Email: mainefolks2@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am a resident of Knox County and a registered Independent Voter in Maine. I am confounded by the motion to include MidCoast Maine into a congressional district with Northern and Western Maine. We do not share the same demographic, cultural, geographical, economic histories and issues. How could someone represent northern and western Maine's best interest and ours? I do NOT feel that this is a good move for the people of Knox County nor is it a good move for the people of northern Maine.
Susan Folk

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 1:01 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: meandterry86@yahoo.com [mailto:meandterry86@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:47 PM

Representative:

Name: Robert Shaw
Address: 19 Marsh Road
Address 2:
City: Belfast
ZIP: 04915
Phone: 2073384450
Email: meandterry86@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

This is blatant gerrymandering. Politics at its cynical worst. There is a much simpler redistricting plan that involves minimal moving of voters. Our society is under a mean-spirited assault on voting rights as it is, and the implementation of this plan would only serve to encourage those who care little for democracy.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 1:00 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW

-----Original Message-----

From: cronespeak@yahoo.com [mailto:cronespeak@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:35 PM

Representative:

Name: Susan MacNichol
Address: 23 Capen Ave.
Address 2:
City: Eastport
ZIP: 04631
Phone:
Email: cronespeak@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

This redistricting proposal of the Republican s is so clearly political and partisan that it is not worthy of consideration. Let's do what's right here in Maine. I'll be watching. I vote and I'm loud.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 1:00 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: toughcat@gmail.com [mailto:toughcat@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:16 PM

Representative:

Name: joseph nelson
Address: po box 329
Address 2:
City: vinalhaven
ZIP: 04863
Phone:
Email: toughcat@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am totally against the republican redistricting plan, it is completely unnecessary and clearly a political maneuver designed to skew the balance unfairly in their favor. Please put a stop to it.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:09 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: gcox@coa.edu [mailto:gcox@coa.edu]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 12:00 PM

Representative:

Name: John Gray Cox
Address: 9 1/2 Cleftstone Road
Address 2:
City: Bar Harbor
ZIP: 04609
Phone: 207-460-1163
Email: gcox@coa.edu

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Commissioners,

Adding 10,000 members of one party to one of the voitung dsitricks and then excluding a current representative from her own District is, in a word, OUTRAGEOUS. This is not the way people do things in Maine. please reject the proposal to do so.

Thank you,

Yours in common stewardship,

Gray

gray@co.edu

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2011 11:02 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email addressed to you

-----Original Message-----

From: nanton@maine.rr.com [mailto:nanton@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2011 3:06 AM

Representative:

Name: Nancy Anton
Address: 293 Walton St
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04103
Phone:
Email: nanton@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible & keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding & papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by a single lawmaker.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2011 11:02 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email addressed to you

-----Original Message-----

From: juniecorn@gmail.com [mailto:juniecorn@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 28, 2011 6:16 PM

Representative:

Name: june rieber
Address: p.o... box 305
Address 2:
City: winter harbor
ZIP: 04693
Phone:
Email: juniecorn@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am sad to see this kind of criminal behavior on the part of the governor and the Republican party. The people he is trying to unseat are certainly working for the benefit of the people of Maine and this is not acceptable.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2011 10:51 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: skipandalica@yahoo.com [mailto:skipandalica@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2011 3:09 PM

Representative:

Name: Lealand Lawrence
Address: 23 easter ave
Address 2:
City: windham
ZIP: 04062
Phone:
Email: skipandalica@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

tell them to back off and leave things a lone, things have always worked well here in Maine, and moving our rep around will only incite nothing but problems, that are not needed.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 29, 2011 10:49 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: thebruce55@yahoo.com [mailto:thebruce55@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 25, 2011 7:46 PM

Representative:

Name: robert hutchinson
Address: po box 145
Address 2:
City: penobscot
ZIP: 04476
Phone:
Email: thebruce55@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please keep the interests of the citizenry in mind as you go about your politicking. You may believe that amassing power on one side of the aisle or the other is beneficial to the state, but that is something that voters should decide without any coercion of power or influence. This is not D.C., we expect our legislature to do what is ethical, moral, and right. Thank you for your time.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 11:12 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: starrkop@starpower.net [mailto:starrkop@starpower.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 11:11 AM

Representative:

Name: starr kopper
Address: 10 Rogue Bluffs Rd.
Address 2:
City: Machias
ZIP: 04654
Phone: 207-255-4363
Email: starrkop@starpower.net

Topic:

Comments:

This comment is for the entire Redistricting Committee;

Dear Committee

I have looked at the map and it seems to me that the best way to do the redistricting is to do it in the simplest way possible, moving the fewest possible people and towns. Of course the redistricting should not be used to change the boundaries/proportions of democrats and republicans, I was especially surprised to see that one of the plans puts two House of Representatives both Democrats, into the same district! that surely is a very unfair idea.

They may have done something like this in TExas a few years ago, but it would not be like the Maine I have known for forty years to do it here!

Yours,
STarr Kopper
Rogue Bluffs, Maine 04654

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 11:00 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: lucie@midcoast.com [mailto:lucie@midcoast.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:46 AM

Representative:

Name: Lucie Bauer
Address: P.O. Box 308
Address 2:
City: West Rockport
ZIP: 04865
Phone: 207-236-4734
Email: lucie@midcoast.com

Topic:

Comments:

As a resident of Knox County for many decades, I am opposed to the Republican plan to move Knox and Lincoln counties into the second district. I support the Democratic plan to move the town of Vassalboro to equalize the population between the two districts. This is a sensible solution to redistricting.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:59 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: susanaa@zwi.net [mailto:susanaa@zwi.net]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:43 AM

Representative:

Name: susan adler
Address: 39 northwood drive
Address 2:
City: portland
ZIP: 04103
Phone:
Email: susanaa@zwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

redistricting should be done without political motives & republican attempts to cut democratic representation. the democratic plan is much fairer, as any new plans must be.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: charliereid2@aol.com [mailto:charliereid2@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:43 AM

Representative:

Name: Charles Reid
Address: 4 Liberty lane
Address 2:
City: south portland
ZIP: 04106
Phone:
Email: charliereid2@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

Stop playing games, where are the jobs, where is the outrage with companies like Fairchild and Anthem moving out of the state.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: eloise.vitelli@gmail.com [mailto:eloise.vitelli@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:39 AM

Representative:

Name: Eloise Vitelli
Address: 73 Newtown Rd
Address 2:
City: Arrowsic
ZIP: 04530
Phone: 207-443-4660
Email: eloise.vitelli@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Members of the Redistricting Committee:

I am writing to object to the plan put forth by the Republicans that would put Lincoln, Sagadahoc and Knox Counties in District 2, among other proposed changes. While I speak from my personal perspective only, it is informed by my experience of the past eight years as a member of the MidCoast Economic Development District. For two of those years, I served as President of the MCEDD Board of Directors. It is fair to say that during my tenure, the District underwent a wrenching identity crisis that fortunately has resulted in a stronger and more unified economic development district. At the same time, MCEDD joined with the other EDD's in the state to propose a re-shaping of the EDD boundaries that better reflect the economic and community configurations throughout the state. That proposal expands the Midcoast Economic Development District to include Knox and parts of Waldo County. The Towns of Brunswick and Harpswell in Cumberland County were already a part of the District.

It makes no sense, from an economic development and planning perspective, to break up this geography politically by dividing it into two Congressional Districts. More than that, such a move could damage years of intense and difficult effort to craft a cohesive region and could undermine future economic development efforts. I urge you to respect the integrity of our economic development regions, support their ability to work collaboratively and in a unified manner with the policy makers on behalf of their region.

Thank you and best wishes in your deliberations.

Yours Truly,

Eloise Vitelli

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:58 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: tracylordinmaine@yahoo.com [mailto:tracylordinmaine@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2011 10:26 AM

Representative:

Name: Tracy Lord
Address: 791 Camden Road
Address 2:
City: Hope
ZIP: 04847
Phone:
Email: tracylordinmaine@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I live in Hope. Hope is many things, but one of them is belonging to the 1st District. It should be obvious to the Republicans that displacing thousands of voters and their Rep. makes no sense in any sense of the word. Not only are they incapable of thinking beyond their own agenda, they cannot do simple math. The people of Maine deserve far better than the continuing partisan politics in Augusta. And much more intelligent legislators are the beginning to this end. The Democratic Redistricting Committee's Plan and the next election will be a start.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:29 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

-----Original Message-----

From: saltonstallsam@yahoo.com [mailto:saltonstallsam@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:20 AM

Representative:

Name: Sam Saltonstall
Address: 21 Elizabeth St/
Address 2:
City: Peaks Island
ZIP: 04108
Phone:
Email: saltonstallsam@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please undertake a fair-minded redistricting plan that keeps as many people as possible in the district where they are, that keeps industry sectors represented by one specific representative to the extent possible, and that does not put our current representatives in the same district, which would certainly be a calculated political move by one party to gain unfair advantage in a future election. Thanks

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:28 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: rafael_baeza_miami@yahoo.com [mailto:rafael_baeza_miami@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 7:23 AM

Representative:

Name: Rafael Baeza
Address: 60 Mountain Street
Address 2:
City: Camden
ZIP: 04843
Phone: 2072304586
Email: rafael_baeza_miami@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am so disappointed but not surprised by the redistricting plan proposed by the Maine Republicans. It is obviously a power grab by a party that just wants control over the State. Chellie has been a tremendous advocate for my family and truly represents the people of Knox County. To lose her would be a terrible. Please reject the Republican plan for redistricting and consider the less intrusive Democratic plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:27 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: woodju@midcoast.com [mailto:woodju@midcoast.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:26 AM

Representative:

Name: Don Saunders
Address: 153 Winston Rd.
Address 2:
City: Waldoboro,
ZIP: 04572
Phone: [(207) 832-9937
Email: woodju@midcoast.com

Topic:

Comments:

The plan the democrats ppropose makes far more sense to me, I urge the commottee to adopt it.D. Saundres

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:26 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: stuartj33@gmail.com [mailto:stuartj33@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:01 AM

Representative:

Name: Stuart Jones
Address: P. O. Box 7454
Address 2:
City: South Freeport
ZIP: 04078
Phone:
Email: stuartj33@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

The ill-conceived Republican plan makes a mockery of our tradition of common sense and fairness. Why in the world would you change the district of about 25% of Maine voters when a much simpler solution is so obvious? S. Jones

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:26 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: mbigos@bermansimmons.com [mailto:mbigos@bermansimmons.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:01 AM

Representative:

Name: Michael Bigos
Address: 33 Bramblewood Rd.
Address 2:
City: Auburn
ZIP: 04210
Phone: 7866935
Email: mbigos@bermansimmons.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please support the plan that accomplishes the remedy of apportionment with as little district line change as possible. Moving Vassalboro into the second district gets the job done. Please come to agreement in the legislature so more resources are not wasted on this issue. There are far more important issues to deal with during this period of economic recession.

Legislative leaders should avoid stalemate and taking chances with the Law Court. Insisting on the radical change to displace 300,000 voters into a new district is nothing more than traditional gerrymandering and putting politics before the more important issues facing the public.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:25 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: pam15river@gmail.com [mailto:pam15river@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:12 AM
To: Condon, Carolyn
Subject: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

Representative:

Name: Pamela Matthews
Address: 15 River Road
Address 2:
City: Phillips
ZIP: 04966
Phone:
Email: pam15river@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

After reading over the reasons why, and the various plans for re-districting the state, I believe the Vassalboro Plan to be the least disruptive and the most clear cut of them all.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 4:51 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: depasq@megalink.net [mailto:depasq@megalink.net]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 4:34 PM

Representative:

Name: Margaret dePasquale
Address: 1181 Patch Mt Rd
Address 2:
City: Greenwood
ZIP: 04255
Phone:
Email: depasq@megalink.net

Topic:

Comments:

The effort by Republicans to restrict a democratic vote through redistricting is plain to see and unfair to thousands who do not wish to be displaced when the Democrat's plan can accomplish the required correction to reflect population accuracy with far less disruption. Republican leaders in State government had better "retreat" or they will find themselves out of a job inspite of or perhaps directly because of this dishonest maneuver !!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 4:30 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: jmccurry@maine.rr.com [mailto:jmccurry@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 4:10 PM

Representative:

Name: John McCurry
Address: 44 Richards Street
Address 2:
City: Westbrook
ZIP: 04092
Phone:
Email: jmccurry@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please don't sanction the Republican scheme to gerrymander the state of Maine.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:49 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: signsong1@myfairpoint.net [mailto:signsong1@myfairpoint.net]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:34 PM

Representative:

Name: Jay Peterson
Address: 625 Sedgwick Rd
Address 2:
City: Sedgwick
ZIP: 04676
Phone: 359-5559
Email: signsong1@myfairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

The motivation for The Maine GOP is quite clear-to deprive Rep. Pingree the chance to run for office from her home town. This tactic is straight out of the Tom De Lay book. How can Republicans sleep at night knowing fully well this tactic is nothing more than vengeance and 18th Century style Gerrymandering. Please, don't tell me that both parties do it, so now it's the GOP's turn. To force 300,000 Mainers to shift districts where by law only a fraction of that is required by law, is nothing more than dirty politics, and is unprecedented in our history.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:48 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: signsong1@myfairpoint.net [mailto:signsong1@myfairpoint.net]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:33 PM

Representative:

Name: Jay Peterson
Address: 625 Sedgwick Rd
Address 2:
City: Sedgwick
ZIP: 04676
Phone: 359-5559
Email: signsong1@myfairpoint.net

Topic:

Comments:

The motivation for The Maine GOP is quite clear-to deprive Rep. Pingree the chance to run for office from her home town. This tactic is straight out of the Tom De Lay book. How can Republicans sleep at night knowing fully well this tactic is nothing more than vengeance and 18th Century style Gerrymandering. Please, don't tell me that both parties do it, so now it's the GOP's turn. To force 300,000 Mainers to shift districts where by law only a fraction of that is required by law, is nothing more than dirty politics, and is unprecedented in our history.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:37 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: akers@megalink.net [mailto:akers@megalink.net]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:36 PM

Representative:

Name: Gertrude Akers
Address: 126 S Main St
Address 2:
City: Andover
ZIP: 04216
Phone: 2073923157
Email: akers@megalink.net

Topic:

Comments:

To me the plan with the fewest changes is the one that makes the most sense. Less disruption. Thanks

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:37 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: lisadick@roadrunner.com [mailto:lisadick@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:22 PM

Representative:

Name: Lisa Shields
Address: 140 Middle Road
Address 2:
City: North Haven
ZIP: 04853
Phone:
Email: lisadick@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am appalled at the blatant misuse of power that Republicans are attempting to use in order to weaken Maine's representation at the Congressional level. The attitude that 'if we can't play by the rules, we'll change them' is a ludicrous disregard of our State's historical fairness. How dare they!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:36 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: necampbell@aol.com [mailto:necampbell@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:27 PM

Representative:

Name: nancy campbell
Address: po box 820
Address 2:
City: vinalhaven
ZIP: 04863
Phone:
Email: necampbell@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker.
It's time to stand up to the bullies

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:36 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW

-----Original Message-----

From: dicrecchioa@aol.com [mailto:dicrecchioa@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:29 PM

Representative:

Name: ANITA DICRECCHIO
Address: 16 ROUNDABOUT DRIVE
Address 2:
City: SCARBOROUGH
ZIP: 0407-9383
Phone: 207-883-5959
Email: dicrecchioa@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

Let's approve a plan that makes small changes that will not upset the people in our great State of Maine.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:36 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: martyidaho@wildblue.net [mailto:martyidaho@wildblue.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:29 PM

Representative:

Name: martha bowne
Address: 478 oden bay drive
Address 2:
City: sandpoint
ZIP: 8388864
Phone:
Email: martyidaho@wildblue.net

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:09 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: JJJames44@aol.com [mailto:JJJames44@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 4:32 PM

Representative:

Name: Judith James
Address: 60 Montrose Ave.
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04103
Phone: 207 879-0955
Email: JJJames44@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker. For example, five of the last six first Congressional district representatives have served on the Armed Services committee, developing an expertise critical to economic development for the shipyard regions.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:30 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: morningdip@aol.com [mailto:morningdip@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 11:52 PM

Representative:

Name: Donald Robinson
Address: POBox 307
Address 2:
City: Mt.Desert
ZIP: 04660
Phone: 2076648857
Email: morningdip@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican Plan is unreasonable and demonstrates an arrogance in keeping with their lack of regard for any accommodation/respect for their foes across the aisle and the Democrat's less disruptive plan. They are falling into lockstep with a National movement designed to obstruct our government from operating in an effective way to cope with the current financial/budgetary crisis so as to impede any hope of President Obama being re-elected. Their strategy is in keeping with their hypocritical zealotry for a government that doesn't govern unless it fights wars, approves massive military expenditures (especially where weapons contracts are in a representative's district/state, indiscriminantly/illegally gathers personal information on innocent citizens and detains and prosecutes suspected terrorists in an unlawful manner, and regulates and raises revenue in a way that unfairly favors Big business; be it big oil or Wall Street.

This extreme Redistricting plan is another distraction in the same vein as the Voter fraud/same-day voter registration issue. This is Tea Party nonsense: it is cynical, scary and very un-American. It is so negative, extreme, and is the most destructive (to any rational process or progress that is needed to deal with the crisis the previous Republican President willed Obama) movement and attitude that that movement breeds that I have ever witnessed in my 65 years of being an American. The Tea Party Movement is downright ugly, dumb down vulgar and a retrenching blight on creating some kind of positive forward momentum toward dealing with some very serious dilemmas that we must confront and approach with reasonable, deliberate, and substantive action. The noise coming from the Tea Party is reminiscent, especially in rhetorical tone and frightening simplicity, of the boys in Brown shirts in Munich back in the early thirties. And I am not paranoid - just observant.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:30 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: bjkpma@gmail.com [mailto:bjkpma@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 12:35 AM

Representative:

Name: Brian Kaufman
Address: 52 Green St
Address 2:
City: Augusta
ZIP: 04330
Phone:
Email: bjkpma@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

After reviewing the redistricting plans submitted by both parties, I would support the Democratic plan and oppose the Republican one.
The Democratic plan is the simplest, most direct, and least disruptive way to balance the districts by changing the district of only one town.
The Republican plan seems to be an exercise in overcomplication at a time when people are asking for simpler, more transparent government.

The best redistricting plan accomplishes the balance of populations while being the least disruptive to the voters themselves.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:29 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: bethstod@maine.rr.com [mailto:bethstod@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 6:01 AM

Representative:

Name: Elizabeth Stoddard
Address: 7 Gable Ct
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04103-2719
Phone: 2077614625
Email: bethstod@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Democratic plan seems sensible. Much fewer voters would change districts and we would maintain our seniority on key (to our economy) committees would remain. Changing districts for 360K voters is senseless and unsettling. The Republicans are leading us backward. Please fight to maintain sanity and responsive government.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:52 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mreppenhagen@yahoo.com [mailto:mreppenhagen@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 6:16 PM

Representative:

Name: Marlies Reppenhagen
Address: 55 Morning Street 2-2
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04101
Phone:
Email: mreppenhagen@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

To the Democratic members of the Redistricting Commission:

Please keep the redistricting plan simple assuring that changes will impact as few people as possible and keeping geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:52 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: naturefrau@yahoo.com [mailto:naturefrau@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 6:24 PM

Representative:

Name: christine ryan
Address: 10 lawn ave
Address 2:
City: cumberland
ZIP: 04021
Phone:
Email: naturefrau@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

The redistricting can and should be done with the least amount of disruption of the current system. There does not need to be a complicated redistricting to favor one party over the other in future political races.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:51 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: leilabisharat@gmail.com [mailto:leilabisharat@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 6:32 PM

Representative:

Name: Leila Bisharat
Address: 332 South Road
Address 2:
City: Chebeague Island
ZIP: 04017
Phone:
Email: leilabisharat@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I live on an island in Casco Bay. The proposed redistricting plan would take out of my district marine ecological areas and economic activity down the coast that is directly linked to the work we do and where over the years our representatives in Congress have developed a keen understanding of our share concerns. For this reason, it is important to keep the coastal maritime settlements and islands together but it also important to keep geographically contiguous areas together, causing as little disruption as possible. The present proposal before the redistricting commission does not do this.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:51 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: barbdes@roadrunner.com [mailto:barbdes@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 6:42 PM

Representative:

Name: Barbara DeSerres
Address: 19 Greenville St.
Address 2:
City: Hallowell
ZIP: 04347
Phone:
Email: barbdes@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

Let's keep the redistricting plan simple and obvious! I am for the 'Democratic' plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:50 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: marypalmer@zwi.net [mailto:marypalmer@zwi.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 6:48 PM

Representative:

Name: Mary Palmer
Address: 26 Fletcher Street
Address 2:
City: Kennebunk
ZIP: 04043-6707
Phone: 207-985-2113
Email: marypalmer@zwi.net

Topic:

Comments:

I understood that congressional districts are figured by population counted by the census bureau. I hope the way of counting has not been altered to suit one political party to give them an advantage. Tread carefully.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 8:11 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email redistricting

-----Original Message-----

From: zeedad_2000@yahoo.com [mailto:zeedad_2000@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2011 8:04 PM

Representative:

Name: Marden Seavey
Address: PO Box 120
Address 2:
City: Denmark
ZIP: 04022-0120
Phone: 2074522069
Email: zeedad_2000@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I strongly support the Democratic Redistricting Vassalboro Plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 8:11 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email redistricting

-----Original Message-----

From: jradner@american.edu [mailto:jradner@american.edu]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2011 8:54 PM

Representative:

Name: Joan Radner
Address: P.O. Box 145
Address 2:
City: Lovell
ZIP: 04051
Phone:
Email: jradner@american.edu

Topic:

Comments:

I am appalled at the blatant gerrymandering in the Republican redistricting proposal. Apart from the significant incoherences created for businesses and industries along the coast by the plan, it disrupts the political equilibrium of 25% of Maine residents, who know their representatives and whose representatives know their interests.

I live in southern Oxford County, and even here I feel much closer in interests to the people of District 2 than of District 1. I urge you to adopt the much gentler, much less disruptive Democratic plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 8:10 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email redistricting

-----Original Message-----

From: kayak1931@yahoo.com [mailto:kayak1931@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2011 10:22 PM

Representative:

Name: ruth f. barrett
Address: 20 paradise road
Address 2:
City: bethel
ZIP: 04217
Phone:
Email: kayak1931@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am against the proposed redistricting which is being considered strictly for political reasons and not for the voters in Maine. Totally lopsided scheme.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:00 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: appletreebooks@roadrunner.com [mailto:appletreebooks@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:45 PM

Representative:

Name: William Reeve
Address: 36 Deane Street
Address 2:
City: Ellsworth
ZIP: 04605
Phone: 207 667 3997
Email: appletreebooks@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican plan is an extremely obvious ploy to redistrict themselves into a district that they have a chance of winning. That is not what redistricting is all about. It is about evening the size of the districts in the simplest and fairest way with the least amount of boundary change.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:00 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: jrsacco@metrocast.net [mailto:jrsacco@metrocast.net]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:38 PM

Representative:

Name: Janis Sacco
Address: 16 Pleasant Hill Rd.
Address 2:
City: Lebanon
ZIP: 04027
Phone:
Email: jrsacco@metrocast.net

Topic:

Comments:

Please do not give into an obviously partisan attempt to give Republicans an advantage in the next election. Is this how such decisions should be made?

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 3:00 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: rebooks3@gmail.com [mailto:rebooks3@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:29 PM

Representative:

Name: Robert Sezak
Address: 18 Bunker Ave.
Address 2:
City: Fairfield
ZIP: 04937
Phone: 207-877-2484
Email: rebooks3@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

While I appreciate the Republicans attempt at originality, the simplest solution is to move Vassalboro into Maine's Second Congressional District. That simple move observes a historical continuum that has been favorable to both parties. The current district lines were imposed by the state supreme court in 2003 because lawmakers couldn't agree on a plan. Moving one town is the least disruptive plan and keeps intact the Maine supreme court ruling of 2003 as well as the historical integrity of the districts. Both of which have been served well by Democrats and Republicans (Unfortunately, The Republicans do not have viable candidates for the house seats and the Democrats do not have viable candidates for the senate seats).

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:59 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: irogachevsky@hotmail.com [mailto:irogachevsky@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:26 PM

Representative:

Name: Ines Rogachevsky
Address: 37 Trundy Rd
Address 2:
City: Cape Elizabeth
ZIP: 04107
Phone:
Email: irogachevsky@hotmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Redistricting Committee's obligation is to make objective and non partisan decisions on redistricting. Any redistricting options that appear politically motivated by a party should not be valid options. And making massive redistricting changes, which would also move a currently elected official away from the district they were elected to represent, are illogical and contrary to the democratic process. I hope the Committee will demonstrate logic and objectiveness as they make choices to further, not thwart, our democratic process. Thank you for your efforts and service.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:58 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

To: Condon, Carolyn
Subject: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

Representative:

Name: Suellen Jagels
Address: 875 N. Main St.
Address 2:
City: Winterport
ZIP: 04496
Phone:
Email: suellent@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

I am writing in favor of the Democratic plan to move only Vassalboro to accomplish the redistricting. I have looked at the Republican plan and find that it is too disruptive, moving a huge number of people around. And it puts the two incumbent House members in the same district which strikes me as a somewhat cynical proposition. I think the plan that does the least amount of confusion should be the one that prevails. Thanks for your consideration.

Sue Jagels

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:27 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: Gregory, Paul V
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:21 PM

Representative:

Name: Paul Gregory
Address: 208 Bassett Road
Address 2:
City: Winslow
ZIP: 04901
Phone:
Email: paul.v.gregory@maine.gov

Topic:

Comments:

The Vassalboro Plan is a simple solution to meet the requirements of the law. The two districts have been split on an east to west line for decades. Why change it? Keep it simple. Will we have to drastically change the districts again after the next census? Thank you for considering my opinion.
Paul

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:27 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: moore50@maine.rr.com [mailto:moore50@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:15 PM

Representative:

Name: Debra Moore
Address: 9 Market St
Address 2:
City: Saco
ZIP: 04072
Phone: 207-284-5148
Email: moore50@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

For all the talk of keeping down government expenses.. this seems a huge expense.. how much time and effort is going into this redistricting..

and who is paying for this move... tax dollars? city workers involved

It's not the first time this has been done to the benefit of the Republican party in this state.

Enough is enough.. having voted both for Republicans and Democrats in every election.. I'm having a tough time justifying voting for any Republican if things continue in their one sided approach.

Haven't felt this way disgusted since Nixon was in power..

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:26 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: JGRACE@GWI.NET [mailto:JGRACE@GWI.NET]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:09 PM

Representative:

Name: Jacqueline McKim
Address: 60 Brown St
Address 2:
City: Kennebunk
ZIP: 04043
Phone:
Email: JGRACE@GWI.NET

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican redistricting plan is totally one-sided and unfair.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:05 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: jo@jomoser.com [mailto:jo@jomoser.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 1:57 PM

Representative:

Name: w JO MOSER
Address: 1159 broadway
Address 2:
City: southportland
ZIP: 04106
Phone:
Email: jo@jomoser.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please lets make it simple and move the least amount of people/towns in this plan. No need to move pingree and michaud out of their own districts

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:03 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: mobyblue22@yahoo.com [mailto:mobyblue22@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 1:54 PM
To: Condon, Carolyn
Subject: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

Representative:

Name: viki kennedy
Address: 53 kennedylane
Address 2:
City: bancroft
ZIP: 04497
Phone: 207 448 3280
Email: mobyblue22@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

Has the GOP not created enough bedlam yet? Are you now herding the citizenry against their will like farm animals? How dare you?! We now have the one most vicious uncaring Governor in the entire country, please allow us the ghost of chance to fight back. The government, determined to herd us, harvest us and sell us off for glue doesn't realize the rage that is overtaking us to see our country in their greasy, greedy hands. We will be patient only just so long, The ignition of a fire storm of anger is not thsat far off.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:03 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: jmillet@welcomehomerealtyinc.com [mailto:jmillet@welcomehomerealtyinc.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 1:46 PM

Representative:

Name: Jane Millett
Address: 10 Franklin Street
Address 2:
City: Brunswick
ZIP: 04011
Phone: 207-725-5502, ext.15
Email: jmillet@welcomehomerealtyinc.com

Topic:

Comments:

This is a blatantly partisan attempt to manipulate the outcomes of the district races in Maine. I just hope Mainers (Republicans, Democrats and INDEPENDENTS!) have the good sense to vote against those who would so cheaply de-value our democratic process!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:03 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email

-----Original Message-----

From: jedmca@gmail.com [mailto:jedmca@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 1:37 PM

Representative:

Name: Judith E. McAllister
Address: 188 Woodbridge Road
Address 2:
City: York
ZIP: 03909
Phone: 207-363-1134
Email: jedmca@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

I'd like to support the Democratic Redistricting Plan

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 2:02 PM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email addressed to you through the House Democratic Office web site.

-----Original Message-----

From: kgerv@roadrunner.com [mailto:kgerv@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 1:32 PM

Representative:

Name: Karen Gervasoni
Address: 710 alewife rd
Address 2:
City: Kennebunk
ZIP: 04043
Phone:
Email: kgerv@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

We are sick and tired of partisan bickering. I have no idea why anyone thinks that moving 350,000 people is better than moving a few thousand is stupid. Moving parts of Franklin INTO the 1st district just so you can move the coastal counties OUT is ridiculous. LESS IS MORE!!!!!! Don't adopt this ridiculous plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 8:13 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email redistricting

-----Original Message-----

From: dhoeh@megalink.net [mailto:dhoeh@megalink.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2011 6:16 PM

Representative:

Name: Dolores Hoeh
Address: 3 Eden Lane
Address 2:
City: Bethel
ZIP: 04217
Phone: 207 824-2917
Email: dhoeh@megalink.net

Topic:

Comments:

The Republican redistricting plan smacks of gerrymandering. If changes to the present configuration are necessary, they are minimal at best. It is outrageous that Chellie Pingree's home would be out of her district if their plan goes through.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 8:07 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW: Email redistricting

-----Original Message-----

From: newfarm97@yahoo.com [mailto:newfarm97@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, August 19, 2011 7:44 AM

Representative:

Name: Nancy
Address: Watson
Address 2:
City: Norway
ZIP: 04268
Phone:
Email: newfarm97@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

The Vassalboro Plan has my support because it accomplishes redistricting's goal with the least disruption of existing and historical relationships. The Republican Plan smacks of gerrymandering at its worst.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:39 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: fretless@gmail.com [mailto:fretless@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:09 PM

Representative:

Name: Xar Adelberg
Address: 14 church rd
Address 2:
City: Readfield
ZIP: 04355
Phone:
Email: fretless@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

Hi -

Not too keen on the republican's plan re: the redistricting commission. We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as FEW people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker.

I am hopeful that my voice will be heard, as this is an important issue to me.

Thank you,
Xar

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:38 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: info@camdenhawthorn.com [mailto:info@camdenhawthorn.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:10 PM

Representative:

Name: Maryanne Shanahan
Address: 9 High Street
Address 2:
City: Camden
ZIP: 04843
Phone: 2072368842
Email: info@camdenhawthorn.com

Topic:

Comments:

Dear Members of the Redistricting Committee:

I am writing to express my concern and distaste for the plan mapped by the Republicans for redistricting Maine. It makes no sense to move one in four persons from District One to District Two and create the issues and problems that such moves would prompt, when the plan proffered by the Democrats involves very little movement of people to accomplish the goals. Please do not accept the Republican plan.

Thank you, Maryanne Shanahan

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:38 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: vmellac1@maine.rr.com [mailto:vmellac1@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:11 PM

Representative:

Name: Virginia Mellace
Address: 17 Scotland point rd
Address 2:
City: york
ZIP: 03909
Phone:
Email: vmellac1@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

In favor of Democrat's plan only.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:38 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: dmbarham@comcast.net [mailto:dmbarham@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:13 PM

Representative:

Name: David Barham
Address: 3 Cliff Avenue
Address 2:
City: Freeport
ZIP: 04032
Phone: 2074330124
Email: dmbarham@comcast.net

Topic:

Comments:

I am in support of the Democratic plan that will keep Maine's Congressional districts close to what they are currently.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:37 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: Cduval@McCabe-Duval.com [mailto:Cduval@McCabe-Duval.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:14 PM

Representative:

Name: Chris Duval
Address: 58 narrows lane
Address 2:
City: Harpswell
ZIP: 04079
Phone:
Email: Cduval@McCabe-Duval.com

Topic:

Comments:

I strongly oppose the Republican redistricting plan

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:37 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

Original Message-----

From: robtrue@roadrunner.com [mailto:robtrue@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:18 PM

Representative:

Name: Robert True
Address: 67 Arcadia Cove Rd
Address 2:
City: Belgrade
ZIP: 04917
Phone: 207-465-7914
Email: robtrue@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

I want it kept simple with the absolute minimal disruption to voters. The plan put forth to move Vassalboro seems the most effective to me.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:55 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: marilynvans@aol.com [mailto:marilynvans@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:03 PM

Representative:

Name: Marilyn Van Syckel
Address: 230 East 50th St.
Address 2:
City: New York
ZIP: 10022
Phone:
Email: marilynvans@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

Maine's Democrats need to toughen up and fight back.

All over the US redistricting will unfairly change the political landscape for years to come unless Democrats hold strong.

Maine can be the forerunner if true fairness is addressed.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:54 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: prenderjack@comcast.net [mailto:prenderjack@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:14 PM

Representative:

Name: john prendergast
Address: 16 mendum ave.
Address 2:
City: Kittery
ZIP: 03904
Phone:
Email: prenderjack@comcast.net

Topic:

Comments:

Please help draw the line, right.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:54 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: elmomackay@midmaine.com [mailto:elmomackay@midmaine.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:24 PM

Representative:

Name: Elmo Mackay
Address: 81 Austin St.
Address 2:
City: Portland
ZIP: 04103
Phone:
Email: elmomackay@midmaine.com

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:54 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: dhardy6@comcast.net [mailto:dhardy6@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:26 PM

Representative:

Name: Douglas Hardy
Address: 359 Montsweag Road
Address 2:
City: Woolwich
ZIP: 04579-5028
Phone:
Email: dhardy6@comcast.net

Topic:

Comments:

Government planning should be straightforward, understandable and as simple as possible. I understand that the census indicates that approximately 4,000 people need to be shifted from the 1st Congressional District to the 2nd. The Democratic proposal, or some similar variation, appears to do this. The Republican proposal, on the other hand, creates considerable disruption and confusion for the average citizen. Please consider the State and people of Maine first, and politics second, in developing the required redistricting plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:53 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: farmersue@roadrunner.com [mailto:farmersue@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:45 PM

Representative:

Name: Susan Walker
Address: 16 Musselman rd
Address 2:
City: Standish
ZIP: 04084
Phone: 642-4228
Email: farmersue@roadrunner.com

Topic:

Comments:

Hello!

The plan to redistrict by cutting the state in half north to south is RIDICULOUS! If indeed there are vast differences between northern and southern Maine people's needs, then wouldn't each part be better served by having their own representative? By splitting the district this way the northerners will essentially lose their voice.

The idea behind redistricting is to have approximately the same number of people per representative. Since we have a difference of about 8000 picking a town of about 4000 near the divide and assigning it to the other district is the best way to do it. Please stop wasting precious time on such a ridiculous proposal.

Thank you, Susan Walker

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:53 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: ncrown@midcoast.com [mailto:ncrown@midcoast.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:50 PM

Representative:

Name: Martha White
Address: 193 Vinal St, PO 954
Address 2:
City: Rockport
ZIP: 04856
Phone: 207-236-6170
Email: ncrown@midcoast.com

Topic:

Comments:

This complicated plan for redistricting is the worst of gerrymandering this state has ever seen. Keep it simple. One town solves the problem: Vassalboro.

The Republican-backed plan not only over-complicates the situation, but creates new problems -- among them, many thousands of people who lose their long-known and well-voted in representatives, and for what? There is no logical reason to allow this drastic change to a very simple problem.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:52 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jodumdey@comcast.net [mailto:jodumdey@comcast.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 6:06 PM

Representative:

Name: Joanna Dumdey
Address: 30 Cluf Bay Rd
Address 2:
City: Brunswick
ZIP: 04011
Phone:
Email: jodumdey@comcast.net

Topic:

Comments:

I feel changing so many voters to different districts is burdensome and dirtuptive to voters. I appeal to the committee to choose a plan which moves as few voters as possible to achieve the balance desired. Jo Dumdey

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:39 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jradner@american.edu [mailto:jradner@american.edu]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:08 PM

Representative:

Name: Joan Radner
Address: P.O. Box 145
Address 2:
City: Lovell
ZIP: 04051
Phone:
Email: jradner@american.edu

Topic:

Comments:

Please make as few changes as possible in the current districts. We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:39 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: atticushoney@yahoo.com [mailto:atticushoney@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 1:09 PM

Representative:

Name: H. M. Solomon
Address: 1 Back Hill Rd.
Address 2:
City: Bowdoinham
ZIP: 04008
Phone:
Email: atticushoney@yahoo.com

Topic:

Comments:

I urge you to support the plan which calls for Vassalboro to be redistricted into District One. It is the simplest plan, and it impacts the fewest number of people. If the outcome desired by the law is the rationale for the plans, it is the one which achieved the desired goal with the littlest amount of change.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:49 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: jmkrainin@aol.com [mailto:jmkrainin@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 7:25 PM

Representative:

Name: James Krainin
Address: 15 Krainin Ln
Address 2:
City: Naples
ZIP: 04055
Phone:
Email: jmkrainin@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

Redistricting should be accomplished with shifting as few voters as reasonably possible.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:49 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: ncharles@maine.rr.com [mailto:ncharles@maine.rr.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 7:26 PM

Representative:

Name: Natalie Charles
Address: 4 Cherry Circle
Address 2:
City: Cape Elizabeth
ZIP: 04107
Phone:
Email: ncharles@maine.rr.com

Topic:

Comments:

When I first saw the a proposed redistricting map, I thought "what's the big deal?" Then I realized that was the democrat's plan. When I paged down and saw the republican's, I gasped out loud in disbelief and dismay. The republican's plan defies common sense and the intent of representation.

While I am a registered democrat, I support issues and candidates by determining what I think is best for Maine. That doesn't always result in my alignment with democrats. However, this one is a no-brainer.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:48 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: h2hous@tidewater.net [mailto:h2hous@tidewater.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 7:29 PM

Representative:

Name: Heather Houston
Address: 48 Sproul Hill Road
Address 2:
City: Bristol
ZIP: 04539
Phone:
Email: h2hous@tidewater.net

Topic:

Comments:

We need a simple redistricting plan that changes the Congressional district of as few people as possible and keeps geographically based industries, such as shipbuilding and papermaking, in the same district with their interests represented by one lawmaker. For example, five of the last six first Congressional district representatives have served on the Armed Services committee, developing an expertise critical to economic development for the shipyard regions.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:48 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: amyseltzman.tinkle@gmail.com [mailto:amyseltzman.tinkle@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 7:56 PM

Representative:

Name: Amy Tinkle
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Email: amyseltzman.tinkle@gmail.com

Topic:

Comments:

My husband, Marshall Tinkle & I are unable to attend the meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 23rd, but we want to state our opinion - that you should NOT gerrymander the 2 U.S. Congressional Districts in the State of Maine, in order to put Chellie Pingree and Mike Michaud in the same district.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

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From: wpilla@gmail.com [mailto:wpilla@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 4:34 PM

Representative:

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Topic:

Comments:

I have never seen such a bunch of deceitful, manipulative politicians as the Republicans in power at this time! That is saying something, as I've been around a long time.

The Maine redistricting process as it now stands is fair and sensible and the only reason anyone would want to change it is for their own self-interest.

If you don't like the hand you're dealt, get out of the game - please!!!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:56 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

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From: sooz@wiscasset.net [mailto:sooz@wiscasset.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 5:00 PM

Representative:

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Phone:
Email: sooz@wiscasset.net

Topic:

Comments:

The difference between the Democrats' and Republicans' plans is, frankly, appalling!

The Democrats have offered a rational, simple doable plan.

The Republicans have offered a politically motivated, hugely complicated, totally disruptive plan.

Please do the right thing and adopt the Democrats' plan!

acDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:44 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

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From: epeefencer@fairpoint.net [mailto:epeefencer@fairpoint.net]
Sent: Saturday, August 20, 2011 8:25 PM

Representative:

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Topic:

Comments:

The plan set out by the democratic redistricting is unfair and very partisan. This commission should serve all of the people of Maine, not just the democrats

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 8:50 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

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From: ninarick97@tds.net [mailto:ninarick97@tds.net]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 7:16 PM

Representative:

Name: Nina Hartley
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City: Holden
ZIP: 04429
Phone:
Email: ninarick97@tds.net

Topic:

Comments:

Please keep politics out of this plan. It's so obvious what the goals are of the Republican Plan. The whole argument about how a one person difference isn't enough? Pretty transparent. Hopefully Maine can be an example of compromise. Nina Hartley

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:43 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: mmboyajian@roadrunner.com [mailto:mmboyajian@roadrunner.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 20, 2011 9:10 PM

Representative:

Name: Margaret Boyajian
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Topic:

Comments:

The Republicans are pushing this redistricting plan to win in the second district, i.e. beat Congressman Michaud, and President Obama. This is outrageous and would displace about 350,000 people. The plan proposed by the Democrats to move the town of Vassalboro, a total of 4,340 people, from the first to the second congressional district meets the requirements of the court and disrupts as few voters as possible. I am sick of the Tea Party type Republicans playing dirty politics. Chellie Pingree must stay my Congresswoman as she serves the first district in an exemplary way and has the full support of the voters of her district. The Republican proposal is an attempt to remove Democratic Lewiston from the Second District to elect Republican Kevin Raye. What a disgraceful partisan power play!

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:43 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

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From: lizzie.dickerson@gmail.com [mailto:lizzie.dickerson@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 20, 2011 10:03 PM

Representative:

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Topic:

Comments:

I oppose the plan to move Lincoln and Knox Counties from Congressional District 1 to CD 2. We are socially and historically and economically linked to the rest of CD 1, and it would be very difficult for a representative in congress to both represent paper mills and the lobster industry, or potato farms and tourism. All of these industries are part of Maine, but they require different treatment and need to be balanced, which can best be achieved by having a representative of those communities and districts who truly understands those particular issues.

This plan also needlessly disrupts many more people than necessary, and reads very much to the public as a strategy to advance a particular agenda rather than correctly represent the needs of a cohesive community.

Please do not support moving Lincoln and Knox County into CD2.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Dickerson

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:41 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: asullivan1234@aol.com [mailto:asullivan1234@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 20, 2011 10:11 PM

Representative:

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Email: asullivan1234@aol.com

Topic:

Comments:

Please consider the Democratic plan as this seems to make the most sense. Why make such a sweeping plan as the Republican plan would make when a smaller change would work. Also, it does seem rather partisan to design a plan that would potentially unseat a current member of Congress.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:40 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

-----Original Message-----

From: rtaylor3751@gmail.com [mailto:rtaylor3751@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 9:39 AM

Representative:

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Topic:

Comments:

In my opinion the Democrat's plan makes so much more sense than the Republican's plan.

MacDonald, Ryan

From: Condon, Carolyn
Sent: Monday, August 22, 2011 10:40 AM
To: MacDonald, Ryan
Subject: FW:

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From: jotim27@hotmail.com [mailto:jotim27@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 21, 2011 12:13 PM

Representative:

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Topic:

Comments:
August 21, 2011

State Of Maine
Congressional Redistricting Committee

Dear Members:

I understand that you are charged with a very difficult and important task. Of the three plans put forth, I prefer China/Vassalboro plan. This plan shifts minimum number Maine's citizens from districts that they are now in. These districts have a lot similarities and a close political balance.

As a lifelong resident of Oxford, I don't feel that its citizens have as much in common with the first district as the second. For the most part Oxford is a very rural county. It also contains several UTs (Unorganized Territories). With Oxford in the second district, as is now the case, it contains 90% plus of UTs. Management of these UTs is a controversial and important part of Maine's future. I think they would be better served with representation by the same Congressional Office.

The split in Franklin County puts Rangeley in a different district than the Rangeley and Sandy River Plantations. As a State Representative that had to work with that same split, I can emphatically state this is not a good situation. This area is isolated and very closely tied economically and socially.

Whether intentionally or not the Republican Plan makes the First District more Blue (More Democrats) and the Second district more Red (More Republicans). The creating unbalance districts have proved to be problem in Congress. Balance districts help the moderates get elected where as unbalance districts often lead to those on the far left or right to win. Less Congressional Representatives in the middle has led to a divided Congress and less effective government. Maine shouldn't add to an already bad problem.

Thank you for your kind review of my letter. I hope you will consider its points that I believe are valid expressed above in your efforts.

Sincerely,

Timothy A Carter

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