

From: Ric Cantrell
To: Senate Republicans - 2011
Date: 9/28/2011 4:00:36 PM
Subject: Governor's Call to Special Session
Attachments: Special Session October 2011.pdf

Senators,

This afternoon, Governor Herbert issued the call for next Monday's Special Session. The official doc is attached. Here's the text:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, since the adjournment of the 2011 General Session of the Fifty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Utah, matters have arisen that require immediate legislative attention;

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Utah provides that the Governor may, by proclamation, convene the Legislature into Special Session; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Gary R. Herbert, Governor of the State of Utah, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Utah, call the Fifty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Utah into a Third Special Session at the Utah State Capitol, in Salt Lake City, Utah, on the 3rd day of October 2011, at 9:00 a.m., for the following purposes:

- (1) to divide the state into congressional, legislative and other districts pursuant to Utah Constitution Article IX and to address related matters;
- (2) to consider amendments to the Utah Labor Code to address requirements related to workers' compensation insurance for owners of certain entities and to make technical and related changes;
- (3) to consider amendments to the Elections Code to modify the requirements for placing presidential candidates on the regular primary ballot and to make technical and related changes;
- (4) to consider amendments to the Uniform Driver License Act to modify provisions relating to the driver license suspension period and other sentencing requirements for certain alcohol or drug related offenses and to make technical and related changes;
- (5) to consider amendments to the State System of Higher Education Code to modify the requirements for the appointment of representatives of less populous counties to the Board of Regents and to make technical and related changes;
- (6) to consider a concurrent resolution recognizing the 75th Anniversary of the Welfare System of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints;
- (7) to consider a concurrent resolution urging Utah's Congressional delegation to resolve the Scofield land transfer issue.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I
have hereunto set my hand and
caused to be affixed the Great Seal
of the State of Utah. Done at the
Utah State Capitol in Salt Lake City,
Utah, this 28th day of September, 2011.

From: Christensen, Mike (Chelsea Lloyd)
To: LRSTAFF
BC: Howard Stephenson
Date: 9/30/2011 5:45:18 PM
Subject: Special Session Bills
Attachments: Special Session October 2011.pdf, SB3001_000.pdf, SB3002_000.pdf, SB3003_000.pdf, HB3001_000.pdf, HB3002_000.pdf,

Attached is the special session call issued by Governor Herbert and the bills that address the call issues. To view the text of the redistricting bills, please view the attached documents. To view the maps referred to in the bill text, use the following links:

Utah State House Boundaries & Election Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/hb3001>

State Board of Education Boundaries & Election Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/hb3002>

Utah State Senate Boundaries & Election Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/sb3001>

Congressional Boundaries Designation: <http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/sb3002>

If we can be of further assistance please call. Our main number is 801-538-1032. Thank you.

Michael Christensen

From: Mike Christensen
To: Daw, Bradley, Dee, Brad, Edwards, Rebecca, Wright, Bill, Last, Bradley, Lockhart, Becky, King, Brian, Herrod, Chris, Oda, Curtis, Moss, Carol, Webb, R., Watkins, Christine, Wimmer, Carl, Butterfield, David, Clark, David, Ipson, Don, Litvack, David, Pitcher, Dixon, Sanpei, Dean, Hutchings, Eric, Vickers, Evan, Gibson, Francis, Cox, Fred, Froerer, Gage, Hughes, Greg, Anderson, Johnny, Fisher, Janice, Briscoe, Joel, Draxler, Jack, Dunnigan, Jim, Nielson, Jim, Mathis, John, Seelig, Jennifer, Mclff, Kay, Grover,

Dear Legislators:

Attached are the redistricting maps of the four bills you passed. There are 29 maps that show substantial detail of these plans. I hope you find them helpful as you discuss these bills with your constituents. Thanks for letting us help you in this long and draining process. If you have questions don't hesitate to call us.

Mike

From: Ric Cantrell
To: Senate Republicans - 2011
Date: 10/11/2011 9:46:17 PM
Subject: Town Meeting?

Senators - Jeremy Roberts would like to host a town meeting on redistricting if four or five senators were able to attend. He's thinking Thursday around 7 p.m. at the Larry H. Miller Campus.

Any takers?

From: "Keven Stratton, Sutherland Institute"
To: Stephenson, Howard,
Date: 9/27/2011 7:45:31 AM
Subject: Redistricting: Doughnut holes & pizza slices
Attachments: Mime.822

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Dear Friend,

Next Monday (Oct. 3), the Utah Legislature will meet in special session to finalize the much-discussed redistricting process. To better facilitate understanding of this process, the state has put together a new website:

[RedistrictUtah.com](#)

I invite you to take a minute to familiarize yourself with the redistricting maps and [let your legislator know](#) your opinion.

Cheers!

Keven Stratton
Grassroots Outreach
Sutherland Institute

P.S. Join us on Oct. 12 for our new *Responsible Citizen Course: In Defense of the Family*. See below for details.

New Class: In Defense of Family

Join us Wednesday, Oct. 12, for our brand-new *Responsible Citizen Course:*

In Defense of the Family:



From: Steven Goold
BC: Howard Stephenson, Howard Stephenson
Date: 9/27/2011 12:48:16 PM
Subject: Please put communities of interest before political carriers.
Attachments: Mime.822

Legal but not ethical

Published: Thursday, Sept. 22, 2011 12:00 a.m. MDT

Deseret News editorial

To the victor go the spoils — and in Utah politics, the spoils include the power to create more victories.

The predominantly Republican redistricting committee appears to be collecting a few spoils as it draws new Senate and House maps. Some proposed boundaries seem suspiciously finagled to make sure that incumbents are re-elected, even if it means unnecessarily splitting communities two or three ways.

Take, for example, the city of Ogden, in which three state senators live within a few miles of one another. The committee recommends splitting the city along lines that conveniently maneuver around the homes of these incumbent legislators, creating one district so disfigured as to require driving through three other districts to get from one end to the other.

Or look at Logan, where a boundary is drawn right through the center of Utah State University. Even if it is necessary to divide the city in some way, it is difficult to believe this requires breaking up such a unique and discrete community of students.

Committee members have pointed out that their Senate map requires no state senators to run against one another. We wish they could brag instead about how few cities were split, rather than how many political careers were saved.

We accept that it is impossible to draw a map that satisfies everyone and that some communities of interest are bound to be divided. But this fact can only stretch so far when it's used as cover for unnecessary boundaries that benefit politicians and hurt communities. It's possible to satisfy far more people and preserve far more communities when the interests of incumbents aren't getting in the way.

To be fair, the committee gave a small win to Democrats by deciding not to combine the districts of Democratic Sen. Luz Robles and Republican Sen. Dan Liljenquist. They also proposed offering Democrats the option of deciding boundaries in Salt Lake County, where seven Senate districts are being collapsed into six.

As high-minded and conciliatory as these olive branches may be, they still frame the entire exercise in terms of incumbency, rather than in terms of community. From the first meeting of the committee,

From: Mike Walton
To: Lockhart, Becky
CC: Grover, Kevin, Brown, Melissa, Hughes, Greg, Wright, Becky, Dee, Brad, Oda, Curtis, Wimmer, Carl, Clark, David, Litvack, David, Pitcher, Dixon, Sanpei, Dean, Gibson, Francis, Froerer, Gage, Briscoe, Joel, Arent, Patrice, Painter, Patrick, Houck, Rebecca, Greenwood, Richard, Duckworth, Susan, Liljenquist, Dan, Stephenson, Howard, Jones, Pat, Waddoups, Michael, , , ,
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Speaker Lockhart-

I will open with a note of appreciation for the public service you offer. I realize it is a large amount of work. I am contacting you to voice my disappointment over the proposed redistricting map. I live in Salt Lake City. My parents live in Murray and my sister lives in Sandy. If the proposed map is approved, All three households in my family will be in different districts. We live less than 15 miles apart from each other, yet I will be voting for the same person as my relatives in St. George.

This is CRAZY! Please, be compassionate and look at what is best for people on a local level. While all Utah's share certain common concern over issues such as open space, water, new energy sources (Please support solar energy. My company would love to hire more people if we could have more tax incentive for solar like fossil fuels receive). Beyond those common issues, we choose to live in certain areas of the state which have differing LOCAL issues. How can my representative focus on issues that are urban, which is where I live and give equal attention to rural issues? The proposed map spreads 3 of the 4 districts far too thin.

I won't make accusations of gerrymandering. I will say the map is a shows a blatant disregard for local politics.

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The final Congressional Redistricting proposal now before you is nothing short of cynical. It virtually disenfranchises the remaining few voters who dare to disagree with the majority and now, finally removes any incentive to even go to the polls. The majority owns 80% of our congressional delegation, 76% of the State Senate and 77% of the House. Now you are about to vote to squash what few remain out of your control, just because you can. Greed is destroying the American economy. And greed is about to destroy Utah democracy. Don't be surprised when nobody shows up to vote. What's the use?

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From: Brian Somers
To: Somers, Brian
BC: Howard Stephenson
Date: 9/28/2011 3:59:24 PM
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The attachment contains the following content:

For Immediate Release

September 28, 2011

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Governor Calls Special Session for Monday

Salt Lake City – Just after noon today, Governor Gary R. Herbert signed a proclamation convening the Utah Legislature in a Special Session to address seven legislative issues next Monday, October 3, at 9:00 a.m.

“Redistricting is an important responsibility that the Utah Constitution assigns to the Legislature. Several other issues have come to my attention which I have added to the call for the Legislature to consider while they are in special session. These are, in large measure, technical and clean-up amendments to state law.”

Among the items the Governor has asked the Legislature to consider are: changes to workers’ compensation insurance requirements; modifications to the requirement that certain members of the Board of Regents represent less populous counties; and adding the presidential primary to the regular primary ballot. The complete text of the proclamation can be found at:

<http://www.utah.gov/governor/docs/SpecialSessionOctober2011.pdf>

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Date: 9/29/2011 11:00:34 AM
Subject: Please don't play politics!
Attachments: Mime.822

Daily Herald

IN OUR VIEW

A really bad pizza recipe

Posted: Thursday, September 22, 2011 12:03 am |



PIZZA SLICE REDISTRICTING

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In the effort to redraw Utah's congressional districts, two of the three Utah County-based lawmakers on the commission charged with making a proposal say they like what's been dubbed the "pizza slice" plan.

That's the plan with the points of the new congressional districts in Salt Lake County.

Never mind that this plan would water down Utah County's clout in Washington, without any compensating benefits. And never mind that these lawmakers are supposed to represent their local constituents.

The alternative to pizza is doughnuts. This approach would create poorly named "doughnut holes," or zones encompassing one or more of the main urban areas: Salt Lake County for sure, Utah County being the next obvious choice, and Davis County and its environs a third possibility. In some of these plans, the new Utah fourth district would cover a lot of the state's rural areas.

Note that a district comprising Utah County and a few other small chunks would focus a U.S. representative's attention squarely on this valley. You'd think that area lawmakers would naturally

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Subject: redistricting map
Attachments: Mime.822

Mr. Stephenson,

I am expressing my dismay at the new congressional map. Further diluting opposition voices is NOT what we need. Allowing like minded individuals who live in similar environments (read: urban core) to have representation is the right thing to do.

Thank you.

Chip Rivera
Riverton, Utah

From: Tracy Hernandez
To: Stephenson, Howard, Hernandez, Tracy
Date: 10/3/2011 3:33:22 PM
Subject: Choose maps that represent the will of your constituents
Attachments: Mime.822

Despite the public clearly favoring having Utah's districts divided in the so-called "doughnut-hole" plan (<http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/politics/52391191-90/pizza-lake-salt-slice.html.csp>), the Republican majority has purposely created districts that favor incumbents, and will continue to dampen political involvement, with the so-called "pizza slice" plan.

Utah has gone from a place where we had tremendous turnout in our voting population 50 years ago to being almost dead last amongst all 50 states. It's shameful that the so-called "leaders" of our state, including you, continue to pursue policies and politics that will further disenfranchise voters, who now know that their vote truly does not matter unless they agree with the people who are in power, and our political system exists not to represent the people, but to protect elected officials. You have divided communities and torn apart districts all to make sure that your party retains its grip on power. It's shameful and unbecoming of elected officials; if you truly believe that your politics and policies are superior to that of your opponents, you should be willing to have a fair and honest debate and election and let the people decide if they agree, not rigging the boundaries so only those who agree with you will fall into your district.

I hope I have a chance to vote for someone who truly cares about representing his or her constituents in the next election. Thus far, you have shown that is not a priority for you.

Tracy Hernandez

From:

To: Lockhart, Becky, King, Brian, Webb, Curt, Watkins, Christine, Gibson, Francis, Froerer, Gage, Sumsion, Kenneth, Brown, Melvin, Newbold, Merlynn, Hendrickson, Neal, Menlove, Ronda, Barrus, Roger, Kiser, Todd, Heiner, Kim, Christensen, Allen, Osmond, Aaron, McAdams, Ben, Anderson, Casey, Hinkins, David, Liljenquist, Dan, Thatcher, Dan, Davis, Gene, Stephenson, Howard, Adams, Stuart, Valentine, John, Stevenson, Jerry, Mayne, Karen, Morgan, Karen, VanTassell, Kevin, Hillyard, Lyle, Robles, Luz, Dayton,

Don't Pizza Slice the Districts

Please, Utah Republicans, don't be greedy. It should be enough that you maintain a safe majority in most of the state, but it's not honest or just to jigger the boundaries to disenfranchise the Democrats in SLC, the one area where they are the majority. That's not democracy -- that's just bullying. Be honest and be content with your actual majorities. Let Democrats in Salt Lake have a chance to exercise their actual majority. In other words, don't pizza-slice the Democratic majority in SLC to make sure their votes will never count.

I live in Orem, and so I know my vote for a Democratic representative will never have much of a shot, but that's because my neighbors are all Republicans, and fair is fair. But if I lived in Salt Lake, where most of my neighbors were fellow Democrats, I would expect a reasonable chance of electing a Democrat as representative, because fair is fair.

The pizza slice proposal to defeat that basic democratic principle (small-D democratic!) is cynical and political. Please, show you have some honor and backbone, and do the right thing.

Marco Davis
Orem UT

From: Craig Shuler
To: Stephenson, Howard
Date: 10/2/2011 2:10:33 PM
Subject: No to illogical congress boundaries
Attachments: Mime.822

Senator Howard Stephenson, Draper

Please vote no on the SB3002 gerrymander. Send it back to public hearings for a month. The past week's secret meetings are shameful! It is apparently gerrymandered for no HONEST reason.

North, south, east and west parts of the state should each be kept together. The committee did OK by Northern Utah and Summit County (except Summit Co), but nowhere else.

The West Jordan / Riverton / Saratoga / Payson district has most of growth areas the next 10 years and will leave their citizens severely underrepresented by 2021.
Payson should be with Provo not with West Valley!

It looks like any logical boundary will divide Utah and Davis Counties into a two districts, but it shouldn't be the proposed boundary. South Davis County should be with north (or west Salt Lake County, not with St. George, and Monticello.

Central, southern, and SE Utah should be with Provo, not with SLC and Bountiful and Tooele!

The west edges of Sandy and Draper west of I-15 should not be cut off from the rest of our SE SL County cities and our new Canyons School District.
Granite School District shouldn't be in three districts!

I think you need to go back to the Congress Garber D Plan or something else that keeps districts in each of the four directions and splits my Salt Lake County in no more than two districts.

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Date: 9/30/2011 11:57:16 PM

As much as we do not like gerrymandering -- creating arms instead of enclosing the district in a compact area -- it is a worse thing to draw the lines with political careers in mind. Politics should be the last consideration. We do not elect people to serve themselves, to further their own interests, but we elect them to serve us, the people. Here's hoping that when the special session opens this coming week, you will reject the notion of making any district more electable for any individual, or more Republican or Democratic just so that party can elect more of its candidates.

Please set aside your own desires, your own wants. Please do not consider helping your friends on the Hill by making it easier for any of them. The politician may be out of office in two years (or less), but the boundaries will remain for 10 years. Please, instead of considering the benefits you can achieve for any political party, consider how you can help the people. Instead of trying to silence any group of people, by watering down their power by placing them in districts where they will be the minority, please look to grant as many people a voice as possible. Certain groups -- whether we speak of the Democratic Party or rural interests or whoever -- represent the majority in their areas. Give them their own district, then. Give them a voice, the opportunity to elect their own person, instead of silencing their voice by placing them in a district that has more voters who believe differently than they do.

We often say, "I do not agree with what you are saying, but I will fight for your right to say it." Here is the moment when you can prove you meant that, if you should ever have said it.

The pizza approach might have reasonably clean boundaries, but its strength is its weakness. I have heard it has gained favor for mixing urban and rural, thus forcing the elected official to represent both interests. But, if it results in all the representatives being from the cities -- none from the rural areas -- are you really ensuring representation of both? You are not. You are, to a degree, disenfranchising your rural voters.

Rural areas by definition are less populated. They are going to have a minority representation regardless. Even if we could take the most rural parts of our state and round them together in a single district, that would give them but one representative. The urban areas would have the other three. Why make it any harder on them by slicing them in with urban areas so they end up with no elected official of their own at all?

I'm hoping you do not do that to our rural areas. Might gives the power to do wrong, but it does not give the right.

From: Kelli Lundgren
To: Stephenson, Howard
Date: 9/30/2011 1:21:26 PM
Subject: Please Vote NO to Redistricting's U.S. Congressional Map
Attachments: kellisignaturesml.tif, Mime.822

Dear Senator Stephenson,

Please **JUST VOTE NO** to Utah's new Sumsion06 Adopted FInal U.S. Congressional Map at next week's Legislative Session. **Your NO vote WILL MATTER.** If citizens can get enough NO votes in the Legislature we have a plan of action.

This adopted map, dubbed the "pizza slice" plan, divides communities of interest including rural and urban citizens, and purposefully dilutes the votes of unaffiliated voters and Democrats. This plan focuses on a narrow political agenda rather than keeping communities together, unfair to citizens and to democracy. Good plans have been submitted that keep communities together. (Utah Citizens Counsel Plan A, for example.)

I am with a political action committee called RepresentMeUtah! Our group consists of two Independents, a Republican, a Democrat, a Libertarian and a Constitutionalist. (www.representmeutah.org) We have a plan for immediate action if we can get enough NO votes. But also, next year we intend to appeal to 950,000 unaffiliated Utah registered voters to get out and vote for legislative candidates who are willing to stand up for democracy, including standing up for fairness in this redistricting process.

If you have any hesitation with this map, please vote NO.

Best Regards,



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From: Steven Goold
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Date: 9/30/2011 9:59:34 AM
Subject: A slap in the face of the people?
Attachments: Mime.822

I think that it is wrong to divide communities and neighborhoods like the present plan presents. For example dividing Murray into three districts is wrong. That example could be multiplied many times over. My wife is a school teacher of 20 years. She now believes we need to do away with tenure for teachers. Most teachers are very good, but we need to put the needs of the students first before teachers. The same is true about politicians. The needs of incumbents and political party should not come before the needs of the citizens. Thank-you

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Tooele Transcript Bulletin Online

Senate plan carves up county again

by Tim Gillie
Sep 08, 2011 | 2477 views |

Sloan: "To slap the people of Tooele County with a map like this shows that the public has no place in the process."

A proposed base plan for new boundaries for state Senate seats is drawing sharp criticism from Tooele County leaders and citizens who hoped redistricting would finally give them a resident senator.

Since the last round of redistricting a decade ago, Tooele County has been split into four senate districts. A decade of growth has now made the county Utah's seventh largest in terms of population, but the newly proposed boundaries would again divide Tooele County, making it the only one of the



From: robertlwebster
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CC: Vera, DRX FrazierBoydean, Neal, Timp2 Beckstrand, doug, Uruguay Chabries, Don, Timp2Ellsworth, Johnson, Webster April, Jensen, PG City, JohnCharon, Timp2 Mouritsen, Gregg, Timp2 Owens, Bollough, Uruguay, Ann, Timp2 Anderson Chris, Donna, Webster, Mike, Timp2 Johnson, Jenn, Hahn, Heather, Webster, Laurel, Timp2

Kraig:
Tuesday – Thursday evenings best for us. Thank you for the update and for your service. Please keep us informed how we Utah County voters may be usefully involved in our local government operations. Bob & Donna Webster – Pleasant Grove (Precinct12).

From: Kraig A Thorne [mailto:notification+kr4mq2merbrr@facebookmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 10, 2011 10:40 AM
To: Utah Republican Legislative District #57
Subject: [Utah Republican Legislative District #57] The Legislative maps have already been drawn and...

Kraig A Thorne posted in [Utah Republican Legislative District #57](#).



Kraig A Thorne

10:39am Oct 10

The Legislative maps have already been drawn and approved and the new LD 57 is near all of PG and part of American Fork. The Utah County is now redrawing the precinct boundaries for all of Utah County and I think it would be great to have the precinct chairs, vice chairs, and delegates get together and come up with a unified message on how we would like our precincts to look.

I can get us a place to meet, but I would like to know what is the best day and time to meet for those who are interested in coming to the meeting.

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From: Ellen Brady
BC: Howard Stephenson, Howard Stephenson
Date: 10/7/2011 1:43:36 PM
Subject: Redistricting
Attachments: Mime.822

Dear Representative or Senator:

I am pleased that the legislature has 'stepped back to take another look' relative to redistricting, as it was clear from the map under consideration at that time did not represent the concerns of many Utah citizens. That is, the map did not keep communities of interest intact in any meaningful sense of the word. Specifically, the 'pizza slice' approach to Salt Lake County completely disenfranchised that population by carving it into four pieces and linking three to rural areas with enough population to overpower the urban voice.

Unfortunately, it appears that the 'revised' plan, developed behind closed doors and without public input only worsens the situation by linking the new District 4 to rural areas as well. This approach serves no one well -- urban or rural -- and represents a total travesty that can only be described as blatant gerrymandering for partisan gain. The comments of Becky Lockhart and others chastising questioners who dared suggest that this approach disenfranchised voters and weakened democracy by replying that 'this is a Republic' (don't you know stupid) and 'no Republican or Democrat' will be deprived of a vote under this plan' only underscores the blatant disregard of this legislature for those you are supposed to represent and a lack of understanding of many prior court rulings that underscore the importance of preserving communities of interest in order to protect the ability of those groups to be effectively heard. Additionally, claims that you 'listened to the public' have been nullified by your subsequent redrawing of the lines behind closed doors and the destruction by some members of email communications relevant to the process. Prior to this, efforts to silence the voice of Utahns by creating impossibly high barriers to citizen petitions only further underscores this disregard. The voices of the many thousands who signed a petition asking for an independent redistricting commission have been ignored. I am confident that, had the bar not been set quite so high and had online signatures been acceptable, the initiative would have been on the ballot and would have passed.

Please astonish me and truly step back far enough to consider and implement a plan that does not disenfranchise the urban majority population of this state. We will be heard -- if not now, at the ballot box come November.

Ellen

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From: Crystal Young-Otterstrom
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Friday, October 7, 2011

Utah Democrats Challenge Republican Leadership to Compromise on Redistricting

SALT LAKE CITY – Utah Democrats issued a challenge and invitation to Republican legislative leadership today. Speaking on behalf of all Utahans, party chair Jim Dabakis challenged the majority party to pledge to "OPEN ALL" of their discussions about redistricting and to seek a bipartisan solution for the Congressional maps.

"Tuesday was a fiasco. It was a waste of taxpayer dollars, and it showed the dirty underbelly of politics and an intensely partisan process," stated Dabakis this morning. "No more secrets, no deals, no trade-offs in the closed Republican caucus rooms. No more last minute maps whipped up behind closed doors without involving the public."

"We have two weeks. Let's open the closed doors! Unafraid of the light, Democratic meetings, caucuses, and conversations are open to the public---on behalf of all Utahans we implore that Republicans join us in letting the public watch Utah's business be conducted," Dabakis said. "Let's rise above the partisan bickering and develop a truly bipartisan map. One that represents communities. One that represents Utah. Utah deserves better. As leaders, we must do better."

On air, Dabakis reiterated that the Democrats are willing and want to work with Republicans and the public to develop a congressional map. He also reaffirmed the Senate and House Democrats' call from Tuesday that insisted any map brought before the legislative bodies must first be brought to the public.

"Utah expects Democrats and Republicans to work together in an open and transparent process. Lets sit down and develop a bipartisan map. We can do better, we must do better. How amazing would it be for Utah to lead the nation in an open and fair redistricting process? If Utah Republicans and Democrats work together, we could inspire bipartisanship across the country and end the national stalemate. We will renew voters' faith in their elected leaders."

From: Salt Lake County Republican Party
To: Stephenson, Howard,
Date: 10/6/2011 4:45:27 PM
Subject: A Message from your Salt Lake County Officers & Republican Senators
Attachments: Mime.822

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A Message From Your Salt Lake County Officers and Republican Senators

Thursday, October 06, 2011

Dear Friends in Senate Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, & 8,

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Our Thoughts on the Redistricting Process

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From: Julie Dole
To: Thatcher, Dan, Stephenson, Howard, Waddoups, Michael, Niederhauser, Wayne
CC: Cantrell, Ric, Anderson, Rob, Mills, Mark
Date: 10/6/2011 1:45:13 PM
Subject: DRAFT - Message from Officers & Republican Senators
Attachments: Mime.822

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Rick - Let me know if the below works to send out to all the emails we have in Senate Districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, & 8 or if you have any concerns. I put in home phones for President Waddoups, Senator Niederhauser, & Senator Stephenson because I was unsure if they want their mobiles shared. Thanks for your assistance! Julie

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From: Suzanne Merrill
To: Merrill, Suzanne
BC: Howard Stephenson
Date: 10/4/2011 9:57:09 PM
Subject: UCRW REMINDER- "Meet the Congressional Candidates" - Mon Oct 10, 2011 12noon
Attachments: 20CFD6~1.GIF, Mime.822



Dear Utah County Republican Women and guests:

"Meet the Candidates"
Monday Oct. 10, 2011 at 12 noon,
Provo Library, Univ. Ave. Rm #201
UCRW meeting and luncheon.

We Will Host Seven Congressional Candidates:

Candidate Rep. Carl Wimmer, Candidate Morgan Philpot, Candidate
Cherilyn Eagar,
Candidate John Willoughby, Candidate Chuck Williams,
Candidate Mayor Mia Love, and Candidate Jason Buck
All have confirmed their attendance.

Our UCRW moderator is Ivan Keller. Please email your questions for our candidates to Suzanne Merrill, PP (merrillsuzanne@gmail.com) We have a responsibility to our members to vet the questions first and then forward them to our moderator. We are very fortunate to have the expertise and abilities of Ivan Keller as our moderator and we are grateful. He will also be contacting the candidates for information on their platforms.

REMINDER: We would like to remind and encourage each of you to acquire knowledge about the candidates, their issues, attend their events, read their literature, and learn all you can about them. This is true of all candidates in all races. We need to know them and where they stand on issues. We appreciate their willingness to serve the people of Utah. And this is an ongoing responsibility of the UCRW members and friends in order to support and vote responsibly for the right person.

Marge Stolk, President

*Suzanne Merrill, Past Pres.,
Utah County Republican Women
Membership & Communications Dir.
UCRW Member for Council 11-12*

From: hal massey
To: Christensen, Allen, Hinkins, David, Thatcher, Dan, Davis, Gene, Stephenson, Howard, Valentine, John, Stevenson, Jerry, Mayne, Karen, Morgan, Karen, VanTassell, Kevin, Hillyard, Lyle, Robles, Luz, Dayton, Margaret, Madsen, Mark, Jones, Pat, Knudson, Peter, Okerlund, Ralph, Romero, Ross, Reid, Stuart, Jenkins, Scott, Urquhart, Steve, Niederhauser, Wayne, , , , ,
Date: 10/17/2011 11:38:02 AM

Hi Y'all,
Divide Salt Lake county into four voting districts.
The dems. under Jim D. and his ravings, need to be muzzled.
Just do it.
Hal

Hal Massey

(801) 265-0746 // halmassey2@hotmail.com

From:
To: Stephenson, Howard,
Date: 10/14/2011 12:58:43 PM
Subject: redistricting
Attachments: image001.gif, image002.gif, Mime.822

Please map the new districts with a mix of the people of the state of Utah for these reasons.

- 1 It benefits all Utahns to have four Congressmen with a stake in Salt Lake County instead of just one.
- 2 It benefits all Utahns to have four Congressmen who are advocates for rural Utah, particularly our public lands and natural resources instead of just one.
- 3 It benefits all Utahns to have four equally competitive Congressional Districts where a good candidate from either party has a chance to win.
- 4 We will maximize the quality of our candidates from both parties if we make all four districts as equal and as competitive as possible.
- 5 It is both equitable and wise to establish four, equal 60-40 districts rather than any one district made too heavily Republican or Democrat.
- 6) We are not interested in electing Congressmen who bring home the bacon for a specific community of interest, Republican or Democrat. We want Congressmen who will fight for a national balanced budget and preservation of American liberty, not pork.
- 7) The Democrats are going to file suit regardless of which map the Legislature adopts. It is irresponsible for a heavily Republican legislature to cede Democrats advantages that are literally harmful to our country and state and then take a PR whipping anyway.

Alan Christensen, an&la, aicp

S.L. Co. 801.484.5333; Ut. Co. 801.766.5565; Fx 801.766.0303
The A.C.E. in LandsCapEs...



From: Dianne Gaschler
To: Stephenson, Howard
Date: 10/13/2011 9:39:08 PM
Subject: redistricting
Attachments: Mime.822

Please support the Garber Citizen Map. It seems to be compact & fair.

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Dianne Gaschler & Mike Gaschler

From: Q Dang
To: Dang, Q
BC: Howard Stephenson
Date: 10/13/2011 7:35:18 PM
Subject: Please support the Garber Citizen Map (modified)
Attachments: Mime.822

Dear Senator,

As a citizen of Utah, I urge you to VOTE NO on the current map being discussed in the House.

I have studied the maps and I would suggest to you that the best map, based on contiguousness and compactness, is the Garber Citizen Map (modified, sponsored by Representative Brian King).

<http://www.redistrictutah.com/maps/congress-rep-king-garber-modified-king>

Please vote for this compromise map. I know you have worked very diligently for the people of Utah, and I thank you for it.

Sincerely,
Quang Dang

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BC: Howard Stephenson, Howard Stephenson
Date: 10/12/2011 10:40:01 PM
Subject: Some thoughts on redistricting from Congressman Bishop
Attachments: Mime.822

Dear Senator:

The redistricting process in the Utah Legislature is messy and cumbersome. No one ever likes the lines drawn. A redistricting process done by a so-called independent redistricting commission would be messy and cumbersome. No one would ever like the lines drawn.

The difference between the two options is that the Legislature – no matter how many caucus meetings they may hold – must ultimately make an open presentation and hold an open vote. They must explain their decisions and be accountable at the next election. Redistricting commissions don't. They may make a public presentation, but have no requirement for explanation nor in any way are they accountable to voters.

Where non-elected redistricting commissions work, it is often due to a quirk of personalities, such as in Washington State where the leading Republican and Democratic members have served for multiple cycles and try hard not to upset the status quo. In Arizona, their commission produced a very partisan and highly criticized map. Even the inappropriately self-named "Fair Boundaries" organization in Utah used the former director of the Democratic Party who produced – surprise – boundaries favorable to Democrats. A commission is far from a panacea, independent, or non-partisan.

The basic problem with a non-elected redistricting commission is the base philosophy. The Progressive Era in American history provided a philosophical change of attitude toward government. The Founders had faith in lay government – man's ability to govern himself. The Progressive Era argued for governing of the people by experts whose work would seemingly be based on science. (Of course, this was the Era when Communism was also the daring, new government philosophy, but I digress.) Resorting to so-called experts has produced massive national bureaucracies such as the EPA (always right even when state DEQ scientists prove their data flawed), the SEC (experts about Wall Street), the Federal Reserve Board (experts about money), and the NLRB (experts about keeping jobs from going to South Carolina), and so on and so forth.

For some it is easy to demagogue the Legislature, but given the option I much prefer to have districts altered by someone in a public position on the House and Senate Floors - even if I don't fully agree with the alteration - rather than by the all-powerful wizard behind the curtain.

Allow me to comment on three related but tangential subjects:

A) "Community of interest" is basically a sham phrase used to hide real desires. It has been charged by some, for example, that St. George has nothing in common with Salt Lake City therefore they should not be in the same district. Actually, St. George doesn't really have that much in common with Provo or Ogden or Logan or even Cedar City; but St. George has to be with someone. One public witness at a Redistricting Committee Meeting seemed to claim that maybe places like St. George and

Chris Herrod - Redistricting Maps of all four bills

From: Mike Christensen
To: Adams, J. Stuart; Allen M. Christensen; Anderson, Casey O.; Anderson,...
Date: 10/18/2011 10:44 AM
Subject: Redistricting Maps of all four bills
CC: John Schaff; Jonathan Ball; Pyrah, Joe; Ric Cantrell
Attachments: Combined---Enrolled House, Senate, School, and Passed Congress.pdf

Dear Legislators:

Attached are the redistricting maps of the four bills you passed. There are 29 maps that show substantial detail of these plans. I hope you find them helpful as you discuss these bills with your constituents. Thanks for letting us help you in this long and draining process. If you have questions don't hesitate to call us.

Mike

From: Chris Herrod
To: hrichardson@utah.gov
Date: 10/17/2011 8:38 PM
Subject: Re: GRAMA Request (G.R.A.M.A. Disclaimer)

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>>> Holly Richardson 10/17/11 20:38 >>>

I have nothing related to redistricting. Thank you.

Holly

>>> Kathryn Jackson 10/13/2011 3:38 PM >>>

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KJ

Chris Herrod - Re: GRAMA Request

From: Larry Wiley
To: Kathryn Jackson; LH MEMBERS; repjohndougall@gamil.com
Date: 10/17/2011 3:54 PM
Subject: Re: GRAMA Request
CC: Cindy Hardman

Kathy - -

Other than state email I have no other correspondence relating to the redistricting issues.

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Larry

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