

From: Connie Stewart
BC: Derek Brown, Derek Brown
Date: 10/16/2011 7:43:47 PM
Subject: NO last minute changes! - Pass SB 3002, which has passed the Utah Senate.
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Legislators,

You are meeting this Monday, October 17, 2011 to finalize the redistricting map. The Utah Senate has passed the most equitable bill (redistricting plan).

Speaker Becky Lockhart is pushing two new plans to introduce tomorrow. You made a decision, now is not the time to make any changes or wavier on that decision. It is a good redistricting plan.

(*Early last year the Utah State Legislature made "last minute changes" to adopt a bill regarding illegal immigration and found themselves in hot water, with a bill that the citizens of Utah were greatly dissatisfied with.)

I respectfully request that you move forward, no further considerations and adopt the plan as accepted by the Utah Senate, today, Monday, October 17, 2011.

Sincerely,

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From: Connie Stewart
BC: Derek Brown, Derek Brown
Date: 10/16/2011 7:57:39 PM
Subject: Vote for SB 3002, as recommended by the redistricting committee and has passed the Utah Senate.
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Legislator,

I would like the Utah State Legislature to not make last-minute changes and to proceed to pass the map that was supported by the redistricting committee. Reject any last minute attempts to water down rural Utah's influence.

Support SB 3002, which was recommended by the redistriction committee and has already passed the Utah Senate.

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From:
To: Carl Wimmer, Derek Brown, Greg Hughes, Jim Bird, John Mathis, Ken Ivory, Kraig Powell, Kenneth Sumsion, LaVar Christensen, Marie Poulson, Melvin Brown, Steve Eliason, Todd Kiser, Wayne Harper, ,
Date: 10/16/2011 10:19:48 PM
Subject: Please don't sacrifice betterment of people for betterment of politician
Attachments: Mime.822

A last-second plea to not consider political careers in drawing the boundaries. To the victor, goes the spoils, it is said, and you may be of a mind it is quite within your right.

Each person to his or her own opinion, and I certainly am wrong about enough in life, but, yes, to me, it is wrong to allow politics and political careers to be a factor in the way the map is drawn. (Should that be maps, plural? I don't think so as I believe the only one left, is the congressional map.)

To the victor goes the spoils? And, therefore, you are but claiming what is yours? Is this no worse than giving government posts to those of one's own party? It is a little more. In this case, if you adjust the boundaries to increase the chances of your party, or the odds for a particular possible candidate, you must change them away from what is best for the public.

You must sacrifice the good of the public for the good of a politician.

I mean no offense, but we elect you to serve us, the people, not yourselves, and to serve us, not your fellow politicians who may want the lines drawn to their favor.

Please, as you look at the six (or however many) choices, consider which of them have been drawn to forward political careers and refuse to support those plans.

-- John Jackson
of Sandy

Republican House of Representative members,

I represent the 80 percent of Utahns and Americans—the independents, moderate Republicans, and moderate democrats—who want Republicans and Democrats in the legislature and congress to work together for the country and people rather than solely for their own partisan political objectives. If you are part of the 20 percent who doesn't care whether the parties work together, I disagree. If you care what the 80 percent think, read on. Otherwise please delete this e-mail now rather than have me waste your time.

1. Rep. Sumsion explained at the SLC library last week, that the Utah House boundaries, mostly developed by him, were done in an independent attitude (bi-partisan way). He reported that 3 of the 4 eliminated/consolidated Utah house seats were in slower-growing Republican districts and only 1 in slower-growing Democratic districts. If true, congratulations to him and the Utah House and thanks to the Redistricting committee and all its work on all the House maps.
2. The McAdams / Cox "Modification of Hat and 3 Stripes" is apparently the only bipartisan map published since your late September adjournment. It is not as good as Rep. King's maps but as Sen. McAdams said at the SLC library, this one which he was then working on might be the only one the your supermajority would consider as a compromise.
3. By nearly any definition, your West Valley to Payson doughnut-hole plans would create a gerrymander district around the hole, connecting south Davis County and San Juan County in an illogical way. I've stopped being angry, but please try to convince each other to take a higher, less partisan road.

To get from Woods Cross to Blanding by logical highways, SB3002 and Rep. Sumsion's proposed Substitutions 15 and 16 would require the congressman or woman to cross district boundary lines 6 times. Under the Froerer-Adams-Modified Sumsion 15 map he or she would have to cross boundary lines 4 times, but district one would become gerrymandered.

THOSE PLANS ARE ALL EXTREMELY UNFAIR. If it were me, I would vote no on all of them this week, whether I were Republican, Democrat, or Independent. None of them make you look like statesmen and women.

4. Of all congress maps submitted in October by a legislator, only Rep. King's proposed Substitution 7 (the Garber Plan) meets the criteria that ought to be the only criteria for congressional boundaries other than equal population. Those criteria keep districts logical, compact, and keep most communities together. They also keep neighboring communities and counties together.

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I would add, because Brandon followed boundaries, there are also only three school districts that are divided between two districts—all in the largest districts in the state, Davis, Granite, and Alpine. Brandon accomplishes all this by throwing out the Redistricting committee's fetish of 2010 population variations at plus or minus 1 or 2 people or less. With Brandon at plus or minus 77 people and .01 of 1 percent his differences are still well within statistical irrelevance. I am not a statistician, but I suspect anything up to .5 of one percent variance would be statistically irrelevant, legally supportable, and any concerns about it should be trumped by as an issue by communities of interest.

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From: "Ellen Brady"
BC: Derek Brown, Derek Brown
Date: 10/17/2011 10:06:47 AM
Subject: Redistricting
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Representative/Senator:

As you look at voting on a congressional redistricting plan today, I would encourage you to consider the King-Garber option, as it is the least offensive among the three maps put forward for (apparently final) consideration. That is, it appears to only split Salt Lake County into two pieces instead of three or four. As a resident of Utah's most populous county, I deeply resent the effort on the part of this legislature to ensure that our voices are so diluted that it cannot be heard. We will make them heard -- in the voting booth and in the court room if this patent absurdity continues. I am appalled by a process that has been conducted behind closed doors, has continued to ignore the input of the public in spite of a charade of seeking that input, and which (above all else) seeks only to ensure the ongoing dominance of the GOP in this state.

Ellen

Ellen Brady
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From: Brent Palmer
To: Julie Fisher, Bradley Daw, Brad Dee, Becky Edwards, Brad Galvez, Bill Wright, Brad Last, Becky Lockhart, Brad Wilson, Brian King, Chris Herrod, Curtis Oda, Carol Moss, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Carl Wimmer, David Butterfield, David Clark, Derek Brown, Don IPSON, David Litvack, Doug Sagers, Dixon Pitcher, Dean Sanpei, Eric Hutchings, Evan Vickers, Francis Gibson, Fred Cox, Gage Froerer, Greg Hughes, Holly Richardson, Johnny Anderson, Janice Fisher, Jim Bird, Joel Briscoe, Jack Draxler, Jim Dunnigan, Jeremy

Dear Congressmen & Congresswomen,
Thank you so much for your willingness to serve this great state.

The matter before you dealing with the congressional mapping is one of great import that we will all have to live with for the next decade. Please allow any personal agenda or ego to remain on the sidelines for this decision.

As a resident of Southern Utah I am very concerned about the lack of attention rural Utah is getting in this process. The map submitted by the committee and approved by the Senate was about as fair as I have seen for So. Utah (SB 3002). Please do not allow politics to get in the way of seeing what is right for all members of all 4 districts. I understand that Speaker Lockhart has openly supported Sumison 15&16. To rural Utah these maps are unacceptable! We are sick and tired of having SLC decide who represents us, as evidenced by the overwhelming support for Morgan Philpot in the last election. Please do not support the Sumison maps as they are drawn!

Do what is right for Utah.

Thanks,
Brent Palmer
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From: Kelli Lundgren
To: Derek Brown
Date: 10/14/2011 10:40:45 AM
Subject: Please vote for the King/Garber map on Monday
Attachments: Mime.822

Dear Representative Brown,

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 appreciate all your work as a representative for the people of Utah.

Sincerely,
Kelli Lundgren

From: "Darwin Long"
To: Derek Brown
Date: 10/14/2011 2:29:34 PM
Subject: Gerrymandering Utah
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Since any possibility of actually having a representative in Washington that supports my interests is dependant on having my vote count with like minded individuals, I would very much like to have as much of Salt Lake County vote with me as I can. Since his kind of fairness is impossible in Utah's congress, I ask you to support the closest thing we can get.

I SUPPORT THE GARBER CITIZEN MAP

Please represent me and the majority of your constituents and support this map as well.

Darwin Long
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From: Sharon Holland
To: Derek Brown
Date: 10/14/2011 6:23:36 PM
Subject: Redistricting map
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Rep. Brown:

I have looked at all the proposed redistricting maps, and I think the fairest and best of them all is the Garber Citizen Map, as modified by Rep. Brian King. This plan divides Salt Lake County into just two areas, east and west side, and otherwise keeps the whole county intact. It also creates a "northern Utah" district and a "southern Utah" district, which seem entirely logical in terms of creating compact districts and keeping communities of interest together.

The district you represent seems to be one of the most gerrymandered districts in the state. You must know how difficult it is to figure out who's in your district and who's not. I believe that District 49 is one of the worst examples of political gamesmanship in the state.

I urge you to vote for fairness, compactness, and keeping communities of interest together. I would also like to see new legislation to have an independent commission draw the boundary lines next time.

Thank you,

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From: DAVID FOLLAND
To: Derek Brown
Date: 10/15/2011 12:17:22 AM
Subject: Support Garer Citizen Map
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Representative Brown,
I know there are a lot of conflicting ideas on how the new boundaries should be drawn, but it seems to me that the Garber Citizen Map is the most logical and fair. I hope you will support it.

sincerely,

Dave Folland

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From: Q Dang
To: Q Dang
BC: Derek Brown
Date: 10/13/2011 7:31:15 PM
Subject: Please support the Garber Citizen Map (modified)
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Representative,

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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

From: "Keven Stratton, Sutherland Institute"
To: Derek Brown,
Date: 10/11/2011 2:39:26 PM
Subject: Special invitation: Jim Ferrell seminar on civility
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

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Dear Derek,

On Thursday, Oct. 20, Sutherland will host our longtime friend Jim Ferrell from [The Arbinger Institute](#) for our award-winning Transcend Series. You probably know him best from his popular book *The Peacegiver* or his best-seller *Leadership and Self-Deception*.

Similar presentations by Mr. Ferrell sell for up to \$600 per person, but we have space in this session - free - for **the first 10 people who respond to this email**.

This is an all-day session that goes from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Sutherland's offices (307 West 200 South, Suite 5005, in Salt Lake City).

Reserve your seats by contacting me [via email](#) or calling Lisa at 801-355-1272. When you call, please mention this email. Priority will be given to couples.

Cheers!

Keven Stratton
Grassroots Outreach
Sutherland Institute

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Date: 10/7/2011 12:25:35 PM
Subject: Utah Democrats Challenge Republican Leadership to Compromise on Redistricting
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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: "Ellen Brady"
BC: Derek Brown, Derek Brown
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.

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From: Brad Bartholomew
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Derek Brown, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Merlynn Newbold, Neal Hendrickson, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser
Date: 10/3/2011 3:44:59 PM
Subject: Redistricting Senate Maps
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Representatives,

The Senate map that was passed today by the Senate is a destructive map. I am the Rose Park Community Council Chair, the Council and residents in Rose Park are grateful that the community has been kept intact. But we are also disappointed to see that we are lumped in with Davis County. While this might be a way to delude the SLC Demarcates, it truly hurts the citizens of Rose Park greater. The citizens who live in Rose Park already have very little voice and placing us with North Salt Lake, Bountiful and Woods Cross would even further reduce our voices.

I urge you to make the right decision for my community by keeping Rose Park in Salt Lake County so that we may have a voice in the Utah Senate.

Thank you for your time.
Brad Bartholomew

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From: "Shauna Bona"
To: Derek Brown
Date: 10/3/2011 5:13:40 PM
Subject: Please Vote No on Redistricting Maps
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Dear Rep. Brown,

Please take a stand on behalf of fairness and vote "no" on the redistricting plan for U.S. House of Representatives. I live in your district.

I believe that the urban/suburban, diverse nature of Salt Lake County makes it unique in Utah. We are a natural community of interest. Dividing our county as it has been divided is simply un-American. The map dilutes the non-white, non-LDS, non-Republican parts of the county by blending them with rural Utah while carving out a predominantly LDS, Republican, White district for Carl Wimmer.

Please imagine what it feels like to be a minority in our state, and please take a stand against forces that are further disenfranchising those of us who are not in the majority.

I know you are in the majority, but I also know you have wisdom and a legal education. I appeal to your conscience to do something on behalf of those of us who are your neighbors and friends.

Thank you,

Shauna

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From: Carole Peterson
To: Bradley Daw, Brad Dee, Becky Edwards, Brad Galvez, Bill Wright, Brad Last, Becky Lockhart, Brad Wilson, Chris Herrod, Curtis Oda, Curt Webb, Carl Wimmer, David Butterfield, David Clark, Derek Brown, Don IPSON, Dixon Pitcher, Dean Sanpei, Eric Hutchings, Evan Vickers, Francis Gibson, Fred Cox, Gage Froerer, Holly Richardson, Johnny Anderson, Jim Bird, Jack Draxler, Jim Dunnigan, Jerer Peterson, Jim Nielson, John Mathis, Kay McIlff, Keith Grover, Ken Ivory, Kraig Powell, Kenneth Sumsion, LaVar Christensen, Melvin Brown, Merlynn Newbold, Mike Morley, Patrick Painter, Paul

Government of the people, by the people and for the people! What has happened to the members of the Utah State Legislature? The current lines drawn for reapportionment are strictly party driven. Stand up and move forward with fair boundaries. **Stop gerrymandering!**

Remember who elects you--WE THE PEOPLE!

Carole E. Peterson

From: Aaron Rennaker
To: LH_Republicans
Date: 10/4/2011 8:24:06 AM
Subject: Speakers at the Press Conference yesterday in the Capitol protesting redistricting:
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

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Joshua Kanter: Founder of An Alliance for a Better Utah.

Registered Democrat, Donated \$20,000+ in 2008 & 2010 election cycle. Obama, Clinton, DSCC, DNC, John Kerry, DCCC

John Hansen: Registered Democrat, SLC

Mayor Peter Corroon: (D) Salt Lake County Mayor. Called redistricting process un-American. Ran for Governor in 2010, major recipient of donations from Bruce Bastian, Howard Dean, AFL-CIO, Labor Unions, supporter of non-partisan "Fair Boundaries" initiative whose maps were drawn by Democrat operative, adviser and former UT Dem Party Exec-Director Todd Taylor.

David Irvine: Donor to Democratic Presidential candidate Wesley Clark, President Barack Obama, DNC. Attorney who has sued Utah and has received millions of dollars from Utah taxpayers in law suits.

Sen. Ross Romero: Senate Minority Leader, Candidate for SLCO Mayor, Democrat

Glenn Wright: "non-partisan Fair Boundaries" Director. Former Summit County Democrat Party Chair, caught using partisan map drawn by UT Democrat Adviser and former Executive Director

Speaker Up & Peace Up Activists; Tim DeChristopher's friends, sat on UTA TRAX to protest coal power.

MaryAnne Martindale: Exec Director of Alliance for a Better Utah, Democrat AG campaign manager,

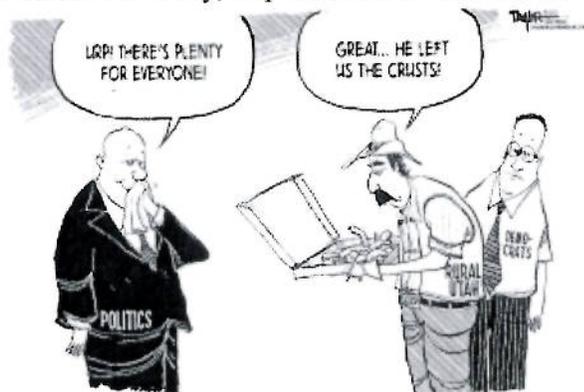
From: Steven Goold
BC: Derek Brown, Derek Brown
Date: 9/29/2011 11:00:34 AM
Subject: Please don't play politics!
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

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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

From: Steven Goold
BC: Derek Brown, Derek Brown
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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Senate plan carves up county again

by Tim Gillie
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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: Nick Mecham
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Derek Brown, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Merlynn Newbold, Neal Hendrickson, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups,
Date: 9/28/2011 10:12:50 AM
Subject: Redistricting

Dear Committee Members,

My name is Nick Mecham. My wife, Megan, and I were born and raised in Salt Lake City and currently reside in Salt Lake City. In fact, the only time we lived away from Salt Lake was from 2008 to 2011 while I was in law school in Florida. We are both working here in Salt Lake City, Megan for Epic Industries and I for the State of Utah.

In 2007, Megan and I purchased a home in Rose Park located at 1289 W 1200 N. I grew up in the Avenues area and attended West High School, and many of my high school friends were from Rose Park so I was familiar with the area. Megan did most of here growing up in Rose Park and moved to the Avenues her junior year of high school. She also attended West High and many of her friends were obviously from the Rose Park area. Because of our knowledge of the area, along with the fact that Megan's grandparents live around the corner from us in the neighborhood, helped to entice us to purchase the home. We lived there from May of 2007 until August of 2008 when I went to law school and then again from May of 2009 to August of 2009 while I clerked for the Hon. John Baxter and the law firm Callister, Nebbecker, & McCullough. We recently moved back into our home this summer, and plan on living there for quite some time. We love our house, our neighborhood, and our neighbors. We love Salt Lake City and believe our interests lie with not only our neighbors and neighborhood but Salt Lake City as well.

The proposed redistricting map recently came to my attention. Having studied politics in college and volunteering as both a county and state delegate on several occasions, I understand the need for occasional redistricting. It makes sense, and is understandable. However, on this occasion, I believe that the proposed redistricting lines do not make sense. There are several reasons that I feel the way I do about the proposed map.

First, Rose Park is a small neighborhood and community whose boundaries are marked from 600 N to near the Rose Park golf course and from 900 W to the east side of Redwood Road. Despite these small geographically small boundaries, the proposed map cuts the entire neighborhood in half. How does that make sense? The neighborhood's interests are the same whether we live on 600 N and 900 W or whether we live adjacent to the golf course. We all deal with the same traffic, the same economic concerns, the same zoning concerns, the same safety and crime concerns. How can half of us be grouped with all of Davis County, with whom we share no concerns because their commute, traffic, economy, crime, safety, business, and employment concerns are vastly different? The other half of Rose Park is grouped with the Fairpark area and Glendale all the way out to Magna. These areas share similar concerns with the ENTIRE Rose Park area. Why not group all of Rose Park with that area?

Second, Rose Park is located in Salt Lake County. To group half of us with Davis County again doesn't make sense because the counties are separate, have different concerns, and worry about different things. It takes very little logical thinking to deduce the reason for grouping half of the area

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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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To: Brian Somers
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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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From: "Keven Stratton, Sutherland Institute"
To: Derek Brown,
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Subject: Redistricting: Doughnut holes & pizza slices
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

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Dear Derek,

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:



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Date: 9/27/2011 1:53:29 PM
Subject: Redistricting Maps

Redistricting Committee,

As a resident, citizen, and voter from the Fairpark Community in Salt Lake City, I am appalled at the newly released maps that were adopted by the redistricting committee today. From what I have heard and seen at the meetings you held around the state, the general consensus from most people (by whom you are elected into office) is that they prefer the donut hole configuration, since voters in rural areas generally feel that their votes are less important than the votes of those in urban areas, and would be better served by one congressman who could truly represent rural Utah. We could then have three urban districts to represent the needs of the quickly growing urban areas of the state.

I am also not pleased with the state senate map configuration. Splitting the Salt Lake City's west side and putting Rose Park with voters in Davis county is wrong. Those two communities could not be farther apart in ethnic makeup and socioeconomic status. They should not be clumped together--I imagine the residents of South Davis County are none too pleased as well with these new boundaries.

I hope that my complaint does not fall on deaf ears, and that my concerns will be taken seriously.

Thank you,

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From: David
To: Derek Brown, Derek Brown, Wayne Niederhauser
Date: 9/26/2011 3:35:49 PM
Subject: Redistricting by Hypocrites
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

Sometimes the truth hurts. Deal with it. . . Or as we would say in New Jersey, "Sometimes the truth hurts. Grow a pair."

Republican Party leaders put on a BIG SHOW asking for public participation in the redistricting process.

What a huge pile of horse excrement.

The proposed state Senate and federal House of Representative maps have almost NOTHING in common with the recommendations (demands) from our neighbors who participated in the public meetings, submitted comments, or drew and submitted their own maps.

The proposed maps spit in the face of almost everyone who participated in the redistricting process.

Harsh language. . . You bet'cha!

Did you see the movie "Braveheart"? (Probably not; it was exceptionally gory.) The citizens of Weber and Ogden have been hung, drawn, and quartered, figuratively speaking.

Are you familiar with Poe's short story, "The Pit and the Pendulum"? Tooele has been disemboweled to protect Republican Party incumbents.

The time has come for the two of you to stand up for what you and approximately 60% of your fellow Utahns claim to be a fundamental, guiding principle, specifically and explicitly, the Ethic of Reciprocity, also know as The Golden Rule.

Sometimes the truth hurts. Do the right thing!

David

David S. Saari, Ph.D.
Sandy UT

From: Reid Hall
To: Becky Lockhart, Brian King, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Derek Brown, Don IPSON, Francis Gibson, Gage Froerer, Kenneth Sumsion, Merlynn Newbold, Neal Hendrickson, Roger Barrus, Todd Kiser, Ben McAdams, Gene Davis, Kevin VanTassell, Ralph Okerlund, Stuart Reid, Michael Waddoups
Date: 9/23/2011 12:32:02 PM
Subject: Opposed to being represented in Bountiful
Attachments: [Mime.822](#)

I just saw the redistricting map, and that it divides the Northpoint area (west of Redwood Rd and 1000 N to 2100 N) from the rest of Salt Lake, and puts us in with Bountiful. We are not part of Bountiful, we are part of Salt Lake. Stuart Reid used to live in this neighborhood and should know better than to put us in with Bountiful. I am opposed to putting us in with Bountiful, we need representation in Salt Lake, not Bountiful. Please listen to us and reconsider this move.

Thanks,

Reid Hall
Senior District Executive, D4 City Creek, D6 Gateway
Big Event & Silver Moccasin Advisor
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Please consider the enclosed resolution that Lehi City has adopted for the purpose of redistricting. Lehi City feels it is very important to be included in a whole district due to our size, and being the fastest growing city in Utah County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mayor Bert Wilson
Lehi City
801-362-9999

From: Neal Hendrickson
To: Rhoda Struhs
Date: 9/19/2011 12:56:19 PM
Subject: Re: Meeting re: Redistricting

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Subject: Meeting re: Redistricting

Date: Mon, Sep 19, 2011 11:52 am

>>> "Rhoda Struhs" 2011-09-19T11:52:41.268690 >>>

Dear House Democrats,

(REPLY REQUESTED)

We will be holding a meeting to discuss Redistricting on:

Monday, Sept. 26
6:00pm
House Dem Caucus Room

Dinner will be provided by David. We will be ordering from Skool Lunch. The box lunch comes with your choice of a full sandwich, chips, and cookie. Your choices are:

SANDWICHES

BLT
Chicken Cashew
Egg Salad
Garden
Ham & Swiss
Liverwurst
Old-Fashioned Turkey
Pastrami
Roast Beef
Turkey
Turkey Salad

COOKIE

Marshmallow Krispie
Chocolate Chip
Snickerdoodle
Oatmeal Raisin

From: Holly Richardson
To: Bradley Daw, Brad Dee, Brian Dougherty, Becky Edwards, Brad Galvez, Bill Wright, Brad Last, Becky Lockhart, Brad Wilson, Brian King, Chris Herrod, Curtis Oda, Carol Moss, Curt Webb, Christine Watkins, Carl Wimmer, David Butterfield, David Clark, Derek Brown, Don IPSON, David Litvack, Doug Sagers, Dixon Pitcher, Dean Sanpei, Emily Bergeson, Eric Hutchings, Evan Vickers, Francis Gibson, Fred Cox, Gage Froerer, Greg Hughes, Johnny Anderson, Janice Fisher, Jim Bird, Joel Briscoe, Jack Draxler, Jim Dunnigan, Jeremy

I have nothing related to redistricting. Thank you.

Holly

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

Please read the attach GRAMA request and respond to me as soon as possible. We have 10 days from today to respond.

Thanks much for your assistance.

KJ