

PETITION

To the Honorable Members of the SC House of Representatives:

We, the citizens of Charlotte-Thompson precinct, have a strong commonality of interest with the City of Camden and Kershaw County. We strongly desire to be retained in SC House District 52, which traditionally has been represented by Kershaw County's resident representative.

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Janet Ann	573 Black River Rd Lot 3	
Ridolph Osteen Sr	240 Rush Lane	
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June 7, 2011

Mr. W. Baynard Boykin
386 Baynard Boykin Road
Rembert, South Carolina 29128

Dear Mr. Boykin:

Thank you for your letter dated June 1, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically as it relates to Kershaw County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Patrick G. Dennis
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B W. Baynard Boykin
386 Baynard Boykin Rd
Rembert, SC 29128

06-01-11

Representative James H. Harrison,
Chairman Judiciary Committee
PO Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29201-1867

Dear Sir:

I profoundly object to the idea of placing Hershaw County's Charlotte Thompson Precinct with Lee County and or others.

This has happened in the past with out proper representation for this precinct.

Presently, Representative Laurie Slade Funderburk serves this precinct very well. I hate to think that we will not be able to vote for her in the future.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely

Baynard & Tallie Boykin

Copy:

Representative Laurie Slade Funderburk

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June 7, 2011

Mr. and Mrs. Don LaMoy
346 Cantey Lane
Rembert, South Carolina 29018

Dear Mr. and Mrs. LaMoy:

Thank you for your letter dated June 2, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically as it relates to Kershaw County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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June 2, 2011

Dear Members of the House Judiciary Committee
This is to request that Charlotte Thompson remain
in District 52 with Kershaw County. This
community has served us well, visiting us
with Camden where we work, worship,
shop and participate in activities. We
do not want to be sent to the Lee
County Representative where we have
little in common.

Sincerely,

Don & Maxine LaMoy
346 Cartey Lane
Renovert, S.C. 29018
803-424-0100

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June 3, 2011

Mr. Jimmie Coggins, Chairman of the Board of Directors
Newberry County Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 396
1109 Main Street
Newberry, South Carolina 29180

Dear Mr. Coggins:

Thank you for your letter dated May 25, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically as it relates to Newberry County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

A stylized handwritten signature of Patrick G. Dennis.

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Mr. John Glasgow, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors
Newberry County Chamber of Commerce
PO Box 396
1109 Main Street
Newberry, South Carolina 29180

Dear Mr. Glasgow:

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We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,


Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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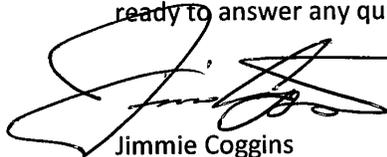
May 25, 2011

Honorable James H. Harrison
Chairman, House Judiciary Committee
South Carolina House of Representatives
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

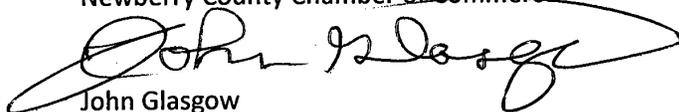
Dear Representative Harrison,

The Newberry County Chamber of Commerce represents the business communities of Newberry County, South Carolina and we are very interested in the redistricting throughout our state. The 2010 Census shows that there are enough people in our County to support one legislative member. Newberry County businesses see this as a way for your committee to be proactive and make all of Newberry County into District #40. Newberrians are confident regarding the future of our County, however we need your assistance. Projected growth in Newberry County will demand a strong legislator to deal with present and future issues that we will undoubtedly face. Our current legislator can and will prove invaluable to Newberry County, as well as the South Carolina legislature. Please help us by placing the entire County of Newberry as the 40th District of South Carolina.

Thank You and the House Judiciary Committee for considering our request. We remain ready to answer any questions that you might ask.



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Chairman of the Board of Directors
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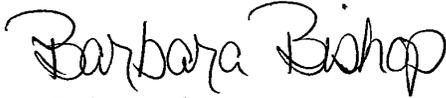
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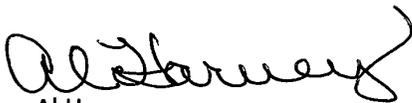
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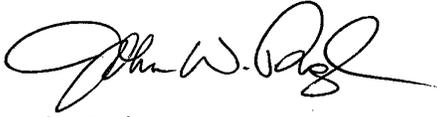
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Al Harvey



Andy Morris

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John Pugh

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David Senn

Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Belger
P.O. Box 894
Camden, SC 29021

June 3, 2011

The Honorable James Harrison, Chairman
House Judiciary Committee
P.O. Box 118687
Columbia, South Carolina

RE: Redistricting (District 52)

Dear Sir,

I live in the Charlotte Thompson Community and would like to point out we are a community of interest and alignment with Camden and this has been true since the 1740's. We shop in Camden, our lawyers and doctors are in Camden as well as the Post Office, library, churches and schools.

We have a commonality of interest in the horse business: the SC Equine Center, The Camden Hunt, and Springdale Race Course are part of our lives.

We have a hometown person who is sensitive to our needs that represent us in the Charlotte Thompson Precinct. We have contact on regular basis with our representative, Laurie Funderburk whether we see her at the Post Office in Camden or she takes time to come out into the community to speak to the 4-H Youth on their wildlife project on our farm.

Not having a local person representing this community. 1) We will be losing easy access. 2) We will be inconvenience to travel to another county. 3) The new representative will be unfamiliar with the people needs in the Charlotte Thompson Community. Please let us continue to be represented by District # 52 Representative, Laurie Funderburk.

cc: Laurie Funderburk

Sincerely,

Wayne Belger
Alice Belger

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Alice Belger
81 Boykin Mill Road
Boykin, SC 29128
803-713-0473

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June 14, 2011

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Camden, SC 29021

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Alice S. Boykin
P.O. Box 632
Camden, SC 29021

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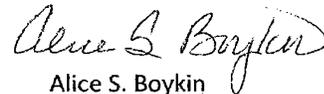
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cc: Laurie Funderburk

Sincerely,



Alice S. Boykin
803-432-4077

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June 14, 2011

Ms. Alice S. Boykin
PO Box 632
Camden, SC 29021

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May 27, 2011

Mr. James L. Guy
PO Box 129
Camden, SC 29020

Dear Mr. Guy:

Thank you for your letter regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, as it relates to Kershaw County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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James L. Guy

May 24, 2011

Dear Representative Harrison,

I am a life-long resident of Hershow County and live in the Charlott's Thompson precinct.

Back in the 1970's we were represented by a gentleman from Darlington County, Warren A. Wether. We were totally ignored and not represented as we should be.

I would respectfully ask that you not redistrict us with Lee County, as proposed. Our present representative who lives and works in Hershow County has our interest at heart and our voice can be heard in the SC Legislature. We have very little in common with Lee County.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours,
James L. Guy

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May 23, 2011

Ms. Bette Hair
1025 Greenridge Lane
Columbia, SC 29210

Dear Ms. Hair:

Thank you for your letter dated May 23, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Darlington County and Representative Denny Neilson.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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1025 Greenwood Lane
Columbia, S.C. 29210
May 23, 2011

The Honorable Alan D. Clemmons
House of Representatives
522-B Blatt Building
Columbia, S.C. 29201

Dear Representative Clemmons:

This is in regard to Representative Denny Neilson's
Dartington District Number 56. Why were the lines
drastically changed in her district and the other
representative's districts were not drastically changed?

As a woman, I resent the unfairness that has
been done against her and the discrimination against
women. South Carolina has fewer women serving in
the legislature than any other state, and this is an
example as to why there are not more women
serving in South Carolina.

Representative Neilson, a conservative Democrat,
has always served South Carolina honorably, and
now as an incumbent she is being moved outside
her district to Florence.

Anything that you can do to help Representative
Neilson concerning the lines that are being drawn
in her district will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Bette Hair

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
COUNTY OF SALUDA) RESOLUTION
TOWN OF RIDGE SPRING)

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE TO KEEP ALL SALUDA COUNTY PRECINCTS IN HOUSE DISTRICT 39 WHICH WILL ALLOW FOR A RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE

WHEREAS, Saluda County is a sparsely populated county characterized by small locally owned businesses and multi-generation family farms; and

WHEREAS, for the past decade Saluda County has always had a resident member of the South Carolina House of Representatives to defend the interest of county citizens in statewide deliberations; and

WHEREAS, we the people feel that a new state redistricting plan could eliminate a resident representative and split Saluda County into several smaller segments of other more urban districts which would dilute Saluda County's voice in statewide governmental affairs and endanger our future economic prosperity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ridge Spring Town Council hereby requests that House District 39 remain intact and include all precincts currently established in Saluda County.

DONE IN COUNCIL DULY ASSEMBLED this 20th day of May, 2011.

ATTEST:

Town of Ridge Spring



Judy Nelson

Town Clerk



Patsy Asbill

Mayor

Honorable Garry R. Smith

210 Foxhound Road

Simpsonville, 29680

Re: District 27 Boundaries

Dear Mr. Smith:

As President of the Hampton's Grant Homeowners Association, I wish to get your review and support of a minor change to the boundaries proposed for House District 27.

Upon review of the redistricting draft issued on May 20, 2011, we were surprised by the exclusion of our subdivision from our current district. We were further puzzled that the map deviated from a smooth line along Jonesville Road and carved our 58-home subdivision out of District 27 creating an odd shaped bit in the extreme northwest corner of District 16.

An extension of the boundary for approximately a half mile along Jonesville Road is logically apparent and would let us stay in HD 27 where we have resided for seventeen years.

We urge you to consider and support this simple change that would add less than 0.5 % to your population total.

Sincerely,



Todd Dunlap

President

Hampton's Grant HOA

(M) 864-304-4082

(H) 864-962-0126

No Return Address

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May 19, 2011

Ms. Myrna Watkins
885 May Road
Saluda, SC 29138

Dear Ms. Watkins:

Thank you for your letter regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Saluda County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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Dear Sirs,

I agree with Chairman Hancock.
He says the local Delegation
is strong as it is. I
also agree with Mayor Adley
that there would be no leader
for the county in the delegation
and no weight to the votes
if the County is split. It
seems to me that the old
saying "if it aint broke - dont
try to fix it". It also seems
that Rep Sage has a good
idea about going further into
Red Lefkowitz county and adding to
our district - Sincerely

Dwight Waters

Just a note...
(as you can tell, writing is not my
best skill)

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The Honorable Pat Asbill
Mayor, Ridge Spring
PO Box 444
Ridge Spring, SC 29129

Dear Mayor Asbill:

Thank you for your letter dated May 16, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Saluda County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Town of Ridge Spring
P.O. Box 444
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803-685-5511

Mr. Patrick Dennis
Judiciary Committee
SC House of Representatives
PO Box 11867
Columbia, SC 29211

May 16, 2011

Dear Mr. Dennis:

I am extremely concerned about the redistricting proposals for Saluda County, District 39. I am Mayor of Ridge Spring, and our Town presently is represented by one Representative, Marion Frye, and one Senator, Nikki Setzler. Saluda County; however, is divided into three Senatorial districts.

When we have a problem within the County, we must contact all three Senators and our House member. We usually begin with our House member and he helps us with contacting all the Senators. All this is time consuming and our requests are divided three ways.

If the District is further divided, I am not sure anything would ever get accomplished. We are a rural county with many needs and getting those needs heard and moved on is difficult enough as it is, but if the delegation is enlarged, Saluda County's voice will be diluted to the point that we will have nothing but a whisper.

I urge your committee to let District 39 to remain intact in reference to House redistricting.

Sincerely,



Pat Asbill, Mayor, Ridge Spring

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Mr. William Pugh
400 West Highland Street
Saluda, SC 29138

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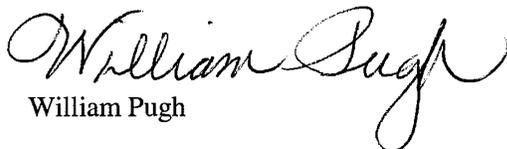
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Mr. Jacob V. Schumpert, Jr.
400 West Highland Street
Saluda, SC 29138

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Mr. Donald E. Hancock, Chairman
Saluda County Council
400 West Highland Street
Saluda, South Carolina 29138

Dear Mr. Hancock:

Thank you for the Resolution requesting the Judiciary Committee to keep all Saluda County Precincts in House District No. 39.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
)
COUNTY OF SALUDA) R E S O L U T I O N

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY REQUESTING THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE TO
KEEP ALL SALUDA COUNTY PRECINCTS IN HOUSE DISTRICT NO. 39

WHEREAS, Saluda County Council Members, Town of Ridge Spring Council
Members and Town of Saluda Council Members met on May 9, 2011 to discuss
redistricting due to the 2010 Census; and

WHEREAS, Saluda County is currently divided into three Senatorial Districts;
and

WHEREAS, Saluda County being divided into two or more House Districts
would further dilute its representation at the state level; and

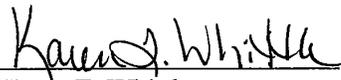
WHEREAS, all Council Members present felt it was in the best interest of Saluda
County and its citizens to preserve and protect the voice of the Saluda County citizens.

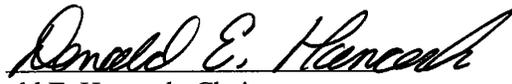
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Saluda County Council does
hereby strongly request the Judiciary Committee to keep all Saluda County precincts in
House District No. 39.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED this 12th day of May, 2011.

ATTEST:

SALUDA COUNTY COUNCIL


Karen T. Whittle
Clerk to Council

By: 
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May 18, 2011

Mr. Donald E. Hancock
114 Tanglewood Circle
Saluda, SC 29138

Dear Mr. Hancock:

Thank you for your letter dated May 11, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Saluda County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Patrick G. Dennis
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114 Tanglewood Circle
Saluda, SC 29138
864-344-0844
donaldhan@msn.com
11 May 2011

Judiciary Committee
S.C. House of Representatives
P.O. Box
Columbia, SC 29211

Attn: Patrick Dennis

Dear Mr. Dennis:

I was recently elected as Chairman of the Saluda County Council. As such I have been working with our current legislative delegation (Senators Cromer, Massey, Setzler and Representative Frye) on issues of importance to my county.

One issue of importance deals with representation at the state level. My county is split into three senatorial districts. To date this has not presented a problem and after meeting with the entire delegation, I believe that they all have the best interests of Saluda County at heart.

However, I am concerned that Saluda County may be divided between two or more house districts. I believe this would be detrimental to the needs of Saluda County and not give us the unified voice at the state level that we, as a smaller, county so desperately need.

It is requested that the General Assembly seriously consider leaving Saluda County intact and remain as part of House District 39. Dividing Saluda County into surrounding districts will greatly diminish our representation in Columbia.

If you have any questions pertaining to this matter, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,



Donald E. Hancock

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May 18, 2011

Ms. Gwen Shealy
275 Grigsby Circle
Saluda, SC 29138

Dear Ms. Shealy:

Thank you for your letter dated May 11, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Saluda County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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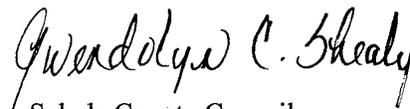
My name is Gwen C. Shealy, and I am a member of the Saluda County Council. The topic is in reference to pending redistricting according to the U.S. Census 2010 population numbers.

My request to you is that you seriously consider leaving Saluda County intact, a whole county, for our House District #39. Currently, this county is served by three senators and one House of Representatives member, Marion Frye. There was a time when we had one senator and one house member; however, because of redistricting adjustments through the years, our county representation is now split on the senatorial side. Therefore, I feel that it is imperative that we, as a county, have at least one congressman who has the interests of Saluda County, as a whole unit, in mind.

The discussion that I am hearing is discomfoting, in that districts surrounding us have lost population numbers, and, therefore, are looking to slice up Saluda County in a way that will strengthen their district numbers, but will ultimately weaken our representation in Columbia. While I am sure that the neighboring district members would not intentionally neglect Saluda County at the General Assembly, I can't help but believe that dividing this county merely to satisfy the population quota of surrounding districts is a detriment to fair representation.

Please, sir, I am asking you and the other decision-makers to allow Saluda County to remain a whole county at the House level. Thank you for your time.

Gwendolyn C. Shealy



Saluda County Council
District #3

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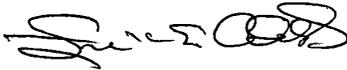
100 South Jefferson Street Saluda, SC 29138-1633
Phone 864.445.3522 - Fax 864.445.4928
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May 12, 2011

Re: Re-Districting of Saluda County

As mayor of the Town of Saluda and as a citizen of the town of Saluda, SC, I would like to encourage you to keep Saluda County, as much as possible, intact as one House District. This action helps preserve the community and its population as one.

Sincerely,



Frank E. Addy, Jr.
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May 16, 2011

The Honorable Frank E. Addy, Jr.
Mayor
Town of Saluda
100 South Jefferson Street
Saluda, SC 29138

Dear Mayor Addy:

Thank you for your letter and Resolution dated May 12, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Saluda County.

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If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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05-09-11

TO: MR. PATRICK DENNIS

FROM: WILLIAM PERKINS, SALUDA, SC

RE: RE-DRAWING HOUSE DISTRICTS

MR. DENNIS, I AM A RESIDENT OF SALUDA COUNTY, SC AND I AM QUITE CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SALUDA COUNTY LOOSING THE ONLY REPRESENTATIVE WHO RESIDES IN THE COUNTY DUE TO THE RE-DRAWING OF DISTRICT LINES BY THE STATE.

WE HAVE THREE STATE SENATORS BUT NONE OF THEM LIVE IN SALUDA COUNTY. OUR REPRESENTATIVE IS MARION FRYE AND HE LIVES IN THE COUNTY.

I AM REQUESTING WHEN THE NEW DISTRICT LINES ARE DRAWN THAT SALUDA COUNTY CONTINUE TO HAVE A RESIDENT LEGISLATOR.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Perkins".

WILLIAM PERKINS
114 BIRDIE COURT
SALUDA, SC 29138
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May 12, 2011

Mr. William Perkins
114 Birdie Court
Saluda, SC 29138

Dear Mr. Perkins:

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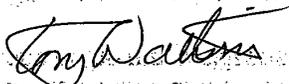
Dear Honorable Clemmons:

I am writing to you today to ask you to do everything in your power to see that District 56, which is represented by Representative Denny Neilson remain intact and that we do not lose the only representative who resides in the City of Darlington. We are the County Seat and the location of the County Court House and offices. District 56 represents the largest number of people in the County and the loss of this district would be a severe blow to the hopes and aspirations of the many citizens who have come to know and to rely on Representative Neilson.

Representative Neilson served on our City Council and is the one person who understands the way our City works and most importantly, our needs. Perhaps it is selfish for me as Mayor of Darlington to ask for your committee to retain someone so close to me personally and to the City, but because of this closeness I know firsthand her qualifications, her experience, her dedication, and her ability to get things done for her constituents. We know what she has done for education, our senior citizens, and for everyone who appreciates a better quality of life.

While we appreciate the representation of Jay Lucas and Robert Williams, we as a City are not prepared to lose Representative Denny Neilson. We ask your committee to strongly consider leaving District 56 intact.

With many thanks,



Tony Watkins

Mayor of Darlington

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May 9, 2011

The Honorable Tony Watkins
Mayor of Darlington
PO Box 57
Darlington, South Carolina 29540

Dear Mayor Watkins:

Thank you for your letter regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Darlington County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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SC Representative Karl Allen

Dear Rep. Allen,
Please enter my written statement in to the record as I am out of state for business and unable to attend the hearing.

I am writing in my capacity as Chairman of the Greenville County Democratic Party, and I encourage you and the Members of the SC General Assembly to handle the issue of redistricting in a fair, representative, and legal manner. My hope is that when you consider the boundaries for SC House District 23, SC House District 25, SC Senate District 7, or any legislative district for that matter, you take in to account the history and sense of community those current boundaries represent. The residents of these communities live together, work together, go to school together, play together, and worship together. To split up communities for the purpose of one's political advantage would be a violation of the sacred trust which exists between you and your constituents.

Please act responsibly when you and all the Members of the SC General Assembly begin to consider redistricting this year.

Sincerely,

Kevin S. Mertens
Chair, Greenville County Democratic Party



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April 26, 2010

Alan Clemmons, Chairman
Elections Law Subcommittee- Redistricting
P. O. Box 11867
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Honorable Clemmons,

I am writing in support of maintaining District 56 intact during the upcoming redistricting process. Darlington is the county seat for our county and all county and local governmental offices are located in Darlington. District 56 encompasses the largest population of Darlington County and needs to remain a major district.

While Darlington County is a rural community, we have through the supportive efforts of our elected representatives, managed to have a school district that ranks 5th in our state for the highest graduation rate and 12th in our state in terms of report card ratings. We have several industries in our county that provides essential jobs for our residents.

Representatives Denny Neilson, Jay Lucas and Robert Williams have helped shape our county, our respective communities and our schools. Our citizens are grateful for their tireless efforts and support them as shown in their being reelected back to Columbia in every election cycle. Losing any one of these three seats would have a negative impact on our community, especially in a time that we need their support more than ever!

Therefore, Wilson Senior Care, an employee owned organization of more than 500 employee-owners respectfully request the redistricting committee strongly consider maintaining the three seats that we have for District 56.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis A. Lofe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D" and "L".

Dennis A. Lofe, FACHE
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May 9, 2011

Mr. Dennis A. Lofe
President/Chief Executive Officer
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116 Cashua Street
Darlington, South Carolina 29532

Dear Mr. Lofe:

Thank you for your letter dated April 26, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Darlington County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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Representative James H. Harrison
Chairman, House Judiciary Committee
P.O. Box 11867
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April 25, 2011

Dear Rep Harrison,

First allow me to say thank you for effectively communicating to the various groups in our state of the hearing schedule regarding the South Carolina House of Representative redistricting effort. Secondly, thanks for the opportunity to allow for public input.

I attended the meeting that was conducted in Denmark on Tuesday, April 12, 2011. Due to a previous commitment I was unable to remain for the entire session. I signed up to speak and after making my comments I remained until I had to depart to ensure visitors I had arriving by plane at the Barnwell Airport were met, greeted and transported to our meeting.

My concerns are that Barnwell County is becoming a forgotten part of our state. We just don't have the voice in Columbia we need and I understand the daunting task ahead of the committee in terms of satisfying the requirements and regulations.

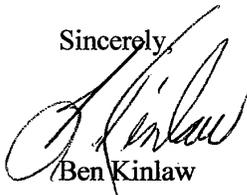
In Barnwell County we have voting precincts Barnwell Precinct #3, Hilda and Friendship that are in Legislative District (LD) #90. These communities of interest should be kept together in the same district. These precincts have more in common with Barnwell County rather than Bamberg County.

When you drill down on the numbers in LD #91, an attempt to balance the demographics is overshadowed by a prison in Fairfax with a historic population of 1,200 who have never voted. To offset this, the three communities we referenced earlier have a registered voting population of 1,200 and are not part of Barnwell County.

My recommendations are to make Barnwell County whole, and for the additional 6, 831 required increase in LD #91 include part of Legislative District #84 (Aiken) and LD #96 (Aiken/Lexington).

My understanding is that Allendale has so many challenges they would be better served to be represented by two representatives in Columbia.

Sincerely,



Ben Kinlaw

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May 9, 2011

Mr. Ben Kinlaw
93 Phillips Street
Barnwell, South Carolina 29812

Dear Mr. Kinlaw:

Thank you for your letter dated April 25, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Barnwell County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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Rugs International LLC
Exit 87 – Gaffney SC

April 21, 2011

Representative James H. Harrison
Chairman House Judiciary Committee
512 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Harrison:

I own Rugs International located at the intersection of I-85 and Hwy. 39 in Cherokee County SC. My business is located in the Macedonia community of Cherokee County that is on the western side of the county near the Spartanburg County line. My family also owns Daisy Outdoor Advertising and Lemmons' Farms based in Cherokee County and our property taxes, utilities, and all government services are connected to the Gaffney area not Spartanburg. Therefore, I request that in drawing the new district lines that you consider trying to consolidate the western portion of Cherokee County into the area served by one of the house members who resides in Cherokee County.

I would request that the western part of Cherokee County be assigned to Representative Dennis Moss district 29. This area is currently served by a representative who lives in Spartanburg County. However, the people of Cherokee County are more likely to address issues to a representative like Representative Dennis Moss because he is more locally accessible and he and his wife are more involved in the community, both socially and politically. Therefore, he is more accessible to discuss matters that I need help from state government or have concerns with laws and pending legislation.

Thanks for your consideration. I hope that this redistricting will better serve the citizens who live work the western part of Cherokee County but do our social and business dealings in Gaffney.

Sincerely,



Joey Lemmons
138 Webber Road
Gaffney SC 29341

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May 9, 2011

Mr. Joey Lemmons
138 Webber Road
Gaffney, South Carolina 29341

Dear Mr. Lemmons:

Thank you for your letter dated April 21, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Cherokee County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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192 Green Acres Road
Gaffney, SC 29341

April 18, 2011

Representative James H. Harrison
Chairman House Judiciary Committee
512 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Harrison,

My name is Paul Patterson. I am a resident and business owner in the House District 33. This district is primarily made up of Spartanburg County constituents, however, I live and work in the Cherokee County portion of the district, specifically, the Macedonia Community. Goucher and Asbury are the other two areas in Cherokee County that are currently in District 33.

I feel the interests of my family and company would be better served by realigning the Cherokee County Communities of Macedonia, Goucher, and Asbury from Spartanburg District 33 into Cherokee County District 29, represented by Dennis Moss. My understanding is that the State will be undergoing District realignment due to population changes. Spartanburg and Greenville County are two significant growth areas. During this transition, moving the Cherokee County portion of District 33 to District 29 would only make sense. The District 33 could primarily focus on its Spartanburg County constituents and the Cherokee County constituents could be handled by Rep. Moss in District 29.

Representative Dennis Moss is whom I currently contact with any issues or concerns I have in my community. He works hard for me and many others that are not necessarily in his District 29, but rather, are part of the Cherokee County family and community, as a whole. In my opinion, these are just more reasons that Goucher, Asbury, and Macedonia Community of Cherokee County should be moved from District 33 to District 29 with Rep. Moss.

I appreciate your consideration in this matter of community interest and representation.

Regards,

Paul K. Patterson



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May 12, 2011

Mr. Paul K. Patterson
192 Green Acres Road
Gaffney, South Carolina 29341

Dear Mr. Patterson:

Thank you for your letter dated April 18, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Cherokee County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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April 18, 2011

Representative James H. Harrison
Chairman House Judiciary Committee
512 Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Chairman Harrison,

I am Edward Patterson. I am a resident and business owner in the House District 33. This district is primarily made up of Spartanburg County constituents, however, I live and work in the Cherokee County portion of the district, Macedonia Community. Two other Cherokee County areas are also in District 33, Asbury and Goucher Community.

I understand that the State is currently looking at realigning many districts to accommodate population growth that would be commiserate to representation in Columbia. While the opportunity exists to realign in a more efficient and common sense manner, I feel the interests of my family and company would be better served by realigning the Cherokee County Communities of Macedonia, Goucher, and Asbury from Spartanburg District 33 into Cherokee County District 29, represented by Dennis Moss.

Representative Moss lives, works, and volunteers a great deal of time and energy in Cherokee County. In fact, he is who I contact for most matters dealing with our issues in Cherokee County, whether in his current District or not. I know Rep. Moss personally and professionally and would feel honored to have him represent my interests in an official capacity by including Macedonia, Goucher, and Asbury Community into his current Cherokee County District 29 during the realignment process.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this important local representation request.

Regards,



Edward M. Patterson



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April 18, 2011

Representative James H. Harrison
Chairman House Judiciary Committee
512 Blatt Building
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Dear Chairman Harrison,

Our names are Ed and Paul Patterson. We are both residents and business owners of Cherokee Masonry, Inc., located in Cherokee County. Our business handles lump sum masonry projects of commercial, institutional, health care and retail nature. We have been in business in Cherokee County and the State of South Carolina for 27 years. We employ around 200 employees at our peak and around 100 employees off our peak, each year.

Cherokee Masonry, Inc., primarily operates in the Upstate of South Carolina. As a company, we have always been active and given back to our community of Macedonia, Cherokee County, and State of South Carolina. While our current State representation is in District 33, the District is made up of mostly Spartanburg County and the interests of Spartanburg County. We are respectfully requesting that during the State's district realignment considerations that the Cherokee County communities of Macedonia, Goucher, and Asbury be moved from District 33 to District 29, represented by Dennis Moss.

We feel the interests of our community and company would be better served for several reasons. Rep. Moss lives in Cherokee County and is familiar with the people and businesses in the County, regardless of current District alignment. Rep. Moss has worked in the past to better serve our company in issues of public safety and job creation. As such, Macedonia, Goucher, and Asbury Communities would be better served, along with our business, to be represented by Dennis Moss in District 29, Cherokee County, in our opinion.

Please give our request your valuable time and consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is 'Edward M. Patterson' and the second is 'Paul K. Patterson'. Both signatures are written in a cursive style.

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May 12, 2011

Mr. Edward M. Patterson
619 Old Post Road
Gaffney, South Carolina 29341

Dear Mr. Patterson:

Thank you for your letter dated April 18, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Cherokee County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patrick G. Dennis".

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

PGD:lca



Office of the Superintendent
120 E. Smith Avenue, Darlington, SC 29532

April 18, 2011

Dear Redistricting Committee:

Darlington County is a rural community with high unemployment. More than 80% of the students served by the Darlington County School District are eligible for free and reduced lunch. Studies indicate that the higher the poverty level, the more likely the students will face challenges academically.

In spite of this, the Darlington County School District (DCSD) has the 5th highest graduation rate in South Carolina and ranks 12th in the state terms of the report card ratings. Our annual dropout rate in the Darlington County School District is 1.4%, less than half of the state average of 3.33%, and our 2010 on-time graduation rate is 87.5%.

This is all possible through the hard work and dedication of our teachers, parents and school staff. However, it is also true that the tireless efforts of our legislative delegation have supported our efforts and made these successes possible. Representatives Denny Neilson, Jay Lucas, and Robert Williams have helped to shape our county, our community, and our schools and we are grateful for their work.

Losing any one of these three seats could have a devastating impact on our community. It could also potentially hinder some of our efforts to become one of the top 10 school districts within South Carolina, a true disservice to the children of our county.

Therefore we respectfully request the Redistricting Committee reconsider removing a representative from our district. Our children deserve the best chances to succeed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rainey H. Knight". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Rainey H. Knight, Ph.D.

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May 9, 2011

Rainey H. Knight, Ph.D.
Darlington County School District
120 E. Smith Avenue
Darlington, South Carolina 29532

Dear Dr. Knight:

Thank you for your letter regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Darlington County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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April 18, 2011

The Honorable Alan Clemmons
S.C. House of Representatives
522 B Blatt Building
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Dear Representative Clemmons:

I'd like to thank you and your committee for the hard work associated with holding hearings around our state and for the opportunity to speak and get to meet you all. I know first hand the personal sacrifices each of you made so that the citizens of our state could be heard.

When drawing the new districts, I ask that you seriously consider the testimony presented by me and by others on behalf of Colleton County. I would also like to address and maybe clarify my answers to Representative Young when asked if we would like to have the entire City of Walterboro included in a single district. Our stated and preferred goal, as you heard when we appeared before you, is to have 37,000 to 38,000 Colleton residents in a single district. I believe we have given you compelling reasons why we feel this is justified and that our county meets the traditional criteria for redistricting. It is also imperative that the city of Walterboro be included in its entirety (with the city's surrounding areas) in that district.

When considering our city, you should also include the areas contiguous to Walterboro which share split voting precincts. All of Walterboro precincts 1,2,3, and 4 in and out of the city should be included with the city in redistricting. These areas have city services such as water and sewer and are indistinguishable from the rest of the city except by city limit signs. Walterboro 4 is especially important because much of our growth is in that direction, as is the new high school and middle school. These areas are also the areas that have expressed an interest in annexation and I believe that this will occur over the next decade.

There is talk now (within our delegation) of splitting Walterboro precinct 4, which is needed to reduce its size for better voting efficiency, but what I am talking about is the area which made up precinct 4 as it existed in the November, 2010 elections. The new configuration would probably encompass the same area but might be called something different. In any case, if you consider all precincts which reached into the City of Walterboro in the 2010 elections (incorporated and unincorporated areas) as part of the city for redistricting purposes, you will meet your criteria for redistricting as far as the city is concerned. If you split those city precincts into unincorporated and incorporated

areas, you will be dividing an exceptionally strong community of interest which is contiguous and compact.

I would be glad to come to Columbia and talk to you personally and perhaps better explain myself to you or to Representative Young if that would be helpful.

If you would like to call me, my cell phone number is 843-908-2571 and my email address is wyoungjr@comcast.net.

I would appreciate an opportunity to see the plans as you work through the process and I thank you and your committee in advance for doing all that you can for our citizens.

Please remember, no one incumbent should carry more weight in your deliberations than the 38,892 residents of Colleton County.

If I can be of assistance please let me know.

Yours truly,



Bill Young
Mayor, City of Walterboro

WTY

cc: The Honorable Thomas R. Young, S.C. House of Representatives

If "Communities of interest" are a consideration, then what about the community of interest shared by the people of Greenville County itself?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Congressional districts

With the S.C. General Assembly now having seven congressional districts to draw instead of only six, it makes little sense to keep the most populous county (Greenville) and the fourth most populous county (Spartanburg) yoked together in the same district in any fashion.

According to the 2010 Census numbers, Greenville and Spartanburg counties combined contain around 75,000 too many people to fit in one congressional district. Many in the General Assembly apparently propose that 75,000 people from Greenville be placed in the 3rd Congressional District so that Greenville and Spartanburg can otherwise remain intact and together in the 4th District. The best solution for Greenville-Spartanburg, however, is to separate the two counties completely. Spartanburg should be joined with Cherokee, Union, York, Chester and part of Laurens or Newberry counties to form a new 5th District. That way, Greenville could be joined with Pickens, Oconee and part of Laurens or Anderson counties to form a new 4th District.

The population numbers work. What's more, the two congressional districts would be more geographically compact than most.

Under this plan, the voting strength of neither Greenville County nor Spartanburg County would be diluted — and because each county would be by far the largest in its congressional district, each would stand an excellent chance of producing the congressman for its district.

Simply put, the Greenville-Spartanburg area would find itself in a strong position to send two representatives to the U.S. House. That's how things should be for two of the state's four most populous counties, particularly when the state today has seven congressional districts to work with.

BILL MULLEN
Spartanburg



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The perfect mission

Would I be truculent to say that, like the stopped clock that is correct twice a day, even President Barack Obama can hit one from midcourt on rare occasion? Yes, I would be, so I'll apologize and highly commend the president and his staff for conducting the perfect raid.

The intelligence was world class, the planning was all-encompassing, the execution was immaculate, the decision to bury

Osama bin Laden at sea with Muslim rites was very wise and decent, and the decision to withhold photos of the body was very savvy and chaste. I can only praise our president for what may be "his finest hour."

My next letter will probably be truculent (from my thesaurus), but I'm sure I'll have a good reason.

C. RUSSELL FARMER
Spartanburg

April 15, 2011

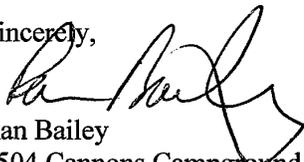
Representative Alan Clemmons
Chairman – Election Laws Subcommittee

My name is Ran Bailey. I was born and raised in South Carolina. I have been a resident in the Macedonia community of Cherokee County since 1968. I own a business, Bailey & Sons Motor Company, located in the city of Gaffney. The business was started by my father in 1954, and has operated continuously since that time. I have paid my personal taxes as well as business taxes to Cherokee County and to the City of Gaffney all these years. Though I pay city taxes on my business, I have no voice in city government, as I live in the county. This situation is bad enough, but because I live in the Macedonia community, I have been placed in District 33. The largest part of District 33 consist of Spartanburg County. Again, this places me at a disadvantage and leaves me feeling I have no voice in the State Legislature.

I understand that the Legislature will be redrawing district lines in the coming months. I would request that Macedonia, Goucher, and the Asbury communities, all located in Cherokee County, be realigned and placed in District 29. Dennis Moss, the representative of District 29 lives in Cherokee County and has worked in Cherokee County. He is more aware of the needs and desires of our county than someone in the more “metropolitan” Spartanburg County. If looked at, it makes very little sense to have the rural outlying portion of Cherokee County aligned with Spartanburg voters. If I ever decided to run for state representative, I would find myself at a distinct disadvantage in having to campaign in an area and a county in which I did not live. Having always been interested in politics, the idea of my running for a seat one day is not completely foreign.

I appreciate you allowing me to express my sentiments in such an important matter. Again, I ask that you thoughtfully consider my request and do what is needed to rectify the current situation.

Sincerely,



Ran Bailey
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May 9, 2011

Mr. Ran Bailey
5504 Cannons Campground Road
Cowpens, South Carolina 29330

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Thank you for your letter dated April 15, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Cherokee County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

PGD:lca

April 15th, 2011

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Representative Norman has been in the thick of the ongoing battle with Utilities, Inc. and we need him to continue representing the lakefront community of Tega Cay in our continuing efforts for clean and sanitary water service.

Regards,

Joan Hughes

Ralph Hughes

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hughes:

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If you have any questions in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the House Judiciary Committee.

From: Joan /hughes [joanhughes@comporium.net]

Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2011 9:17 PM

To: House Redistricting Mailbox

Subject: Tega Cay Water

April 15th, 2011

Dear Counselor Dennis,

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Regards,

Joan Hughes

Ralph Hughes

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Chuck Rietz [carguycr@comporium.net]

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2011 9:37 AM

To: House Redistricting Mailbox

I want to express my dis-satisfaction @ the proposed re-districting. I like Ralph Norman as my representative.

Dear Mr. Rietz:

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Regards,

Cliff and Allison Nichols / 5027 Tara Tea Dr. / Tega Cay, SC 29708

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Nichols,

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From: VIDMON@aol.com [VIDMON@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2011 8:34 PM
To: House Redistricting Mailbox
Cc: Vidmon@aol.com
Subject: Ralph Norman

To:

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Thank you,

Linda Stevenson
3024 Point Clear Drive
Tega Cay, SC 29708

Dear Ms. Stevenson:

Thank you for your thoughts regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, with regard to Representative Ralph Norman. We welcome all of your thoughts and concerns, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the House Judiciary Committee.

From: Linda Stevenson [lks@comporium.net]
Sent: Saturday, April 16, 2011 12:43 PM
To: House Redistricting Mailbox
Subject: recommendation

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Regards,

Russell J Crompton & Sarah V Crompton

3001 River Bend Drive

Tega Cay SC 29708

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Crompton:

Thank you for your thoughts regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically with regards to Representative Ralph Norman. We welcome all of your thoughts and concerns, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the House Judiciary Committee.

From: Russell Crompton [rcrompton@sdatlas.com]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 9:08 AM
To: House Redistricting Mailbox
Cc: lks@comporium.net; Sarah Crompton
Subject: Tega Cay

To:

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Regards,

Johnnie N. Helms

29042 Snapper Point

Tega Cay, SC 29708

(803) 548-1834

hayeshelms@aol.com

Tega Cay Water Service

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Hayeshelms@aol.com [Hayeshelms@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 11:33 AM

To: House Redistricting Mailbox

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From: Hayeshelms@aol.com [Hayeshelms@aol.com]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 11:33 AM
To: House Redistricting Mailbox
Subject: Tega Cay Water Service

Patrick Dennis, Chief Counsel
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Redistricting Request

Bruce Cooley [bcooley@mccormickcountysc.org]

Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2011 1:54 PM

To: House Redistricting Mailbox

April 28, 2011

Dear Honorable Representative Harrison:

As you begin the redistricting process, McCormick County Council requests that you leave McCormick County intact. Since McCormick County is the smallest county in the state, we feel that would provide us the greatest opportunity to have a voice in the political process.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Bruce Cooley
McCormick County Administrator
(on behalf of McCormick County Council)

Dear Mr. Cooley:

Thank you for your thoughts regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically as it relates to McCormick County. We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact the House Judiciary Committee.

From: Bruce Cooley [bcooley@mccormickcountysc.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 28, 2011 1:54 PM
To: House Redistricting Mailbox
Subject: Redistricting Request

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Tommy and Mary Eisele

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Eisele:

Thank you for your thoughts regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically with regards to Representative Ralph Norman. We welcome all of your suggestions and concerns, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please do not hesitate to contact the House Judiciary Committee.

From: eiselem@comporium.net [eiselem@comporium.net]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 2:40 PM
To: House Redistricting Mailbox
Subject: Keep Ralph Norman

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> Regards,

Hello.

Please do not follow through on the redistricting. We voted for Ralph Norman to represent us, and do not want this change.

Thank you,

Shirley Hunt
Tega Cay

Dear Ms. Hunt:

Thank you for your thoughts regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically with regards to Representative Ralph Norman. We welcome all of your suggestions and concerns, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

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From: Shirley Hunt [shirley9044@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 19, 2011 8:17 AM

To: House Redistricting Mailbox

Subject: Redistricting

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Thank you,

Shirley Hunt
Tega Cay

Tega Cay Water Service

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Tega Cay Water Service

Linda Siegel [nannysiegel@gmail.com]

Sent: Sunday, April 17, 2011 1:24 PM

To: House Redistricting Mailbox

Attn: Patrick Dennis

Standard

Dear Patrick:

My husband and I were at the TC meeting about the sewage spills recently. My husband is the President of Tega Cay Anglers Club. Anglers are becoming concerned and we have heard it is no longer safe to eat the fish. We moved to Tega Cay because of the nice area but mostly because of beautiful Lake Wylie. We came from an area in Virginia where we saw many beautiful lakes destroyed and homeowners values declining because of poor sanitary conditions in the lakes of communities they lived in. Please let us know what we can do to stay on top of this. We really do need to save Lake Wylie for our children and the precious wildlife that inhabits it.

Sincerely,
Linda Siegel

Linda Anderson

From: Patrick Dennis
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 8:05 AM
To: Linda Anderson
Subject: FW: April 5 Redistricting Meeting ~ Website email from ThomasSheehy

Log it, put a hard copy with the rest.

From: Alan Clemmons [mailto:clemmons1@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 9:58 AM
To: Patrick Dennis
Subject: Fwd: April 5 Redistricting Meeting ~ Website email from ThomasSheehy

Patrick: this was received by my office. Please include these comments and forward a copy to all s/c members, as requested.

Sent via iPhone by:
Rep. Alan Clemmons
SC House of Representatives
1800 North Oak St. Suite A
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Heather Ammons" <h_ammons@yahoo.com>
Date: April 12, 2011 9:00:37 AM EDT
To: "Alan Clemmons" <clemmons1@aol.com>
Subject: Fw: April 5 Redistricting Meeting ~ Website email from ThomasSheehy
Reply-To: h_ammons@yahoo.com

From the Florence redistricting hearing...

From: "Alan D. Clemmons" <AlanClemmons@schouse.gov>
Date: Wed, 6 Apr 2011 17:24:02 -0400
To: 'heather@alanclemmons.com' <heather@alanclemmons.com>
Subject: FW: April 5 Redistricting Meeting ~ Website email from Thomas Sheehy

From: tjsheehy@yahoo.com [mailto:tjsheehy@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 12:54 PM
Subject: April 5 Redistricting Meeting ~ Website email from Thomas Sheehy

Rep Clemmons, Thank you for holding the meeting last night. I appreciate the opportunity to have spoken. I wish however I had spoken nearer the end of the meeting so I could have voiced my outrage at what I heard from some who spoke after me. I considered asking to speak a second time but I realize that would have only created others demanding a second time at the microphone. First I heard multiple speakers asking that SC House Districts be redrawn because they believed their political party is unable to win enough seats. At least three people were asking that House District 60 be redrawn for that reason. I cannot object more to that reasoning. It appears the current House District 60 is poorly drawn. Whenever possible EVERY house district should follow natural boundaries (ie not cross natural geographic boundaries such as rivers or lakes, man made boundaries such as Interstate Highways or major industrial complexes which divide communities and neighborhoods). Secondly Districts should not cross political boundaries such as county or city limits when possible. So it seems District 60 as it currently exists may be poorly drawn and should be corrected. BUT IT SHOULD NOT BE CHANGED FOR POLITICAL GAIN OF ONE PARTY OR ANOTHER. The Committee should totally disregard all comments that call for any adjustment to District lines so one party or another can gain. Follow the rules of compact contiguous districts which share common values. Secondly, the vitriolic diatribe by City Councilman Robertson has no place in any civil forum. His blatant racism is abhor able. Every member of the Committee should totally disregard his remarks and each of you should in fact publicly condemn them. His claim that all you have to do is look where he lives versus where the Republicans live. My wife and I live in a wonderful neighborhood in a fantastic house. We have that privledge because of out hard work not due to political affiliation. I grew up in a house without running water. My father worked in a factory all his life, I was fortunate enought to eb drafted into the Army (yes I did say fortunate) and ended up making it a career. Throught hard work and dedication I ended up retiring from the Army as a Colonel following 26 years on ACTIVE duty. I then had a successful career with my own business. My wife put her career on hold to raise out children and to move about every 2 years from Army assingment to Army assignment. Once she reentered the work force and worked her way up the ladder to become the Budget Director of Georgetown University followed by becoming the Associate Treasuser of Catholic University Of America. I give you this personal background to let you know where my rage comes from when Councilman Robinson levels such outrageous claims. We EARNED what we have by hard work! I ask no applause or congratulations BUT I accept no attempt by a blatant racist like Robinson to shame me. He lives where he lives by his choice and probaly his failure. As to the concerns about voting precinct being in multiple districts, while I agree it causes a problem that should not be taken into account in drawing House Districts. The local election office can and should adjust precincts AFTER the House Districts are redrawn. Please ensure a copy of this email is forwarded to each member of the committee. Each of you have a sworn responsibility to get this right and if you allow political or racial issue to sway you then you are no better then the political and racially biased speakers you heard last night. In fact, if you allow those issues to impact your action you are worse then them. I further ask that this message be included as an addendum to alst night's meeting Again, thank you for holding the meeting and allowing us to speak. Sincerely, Thomas J Sheehy Colonel, US Army, Retired 2535 W Edgefield Road Florence SC 843 407 7116

Thomas Sheehy
2535 W Edgefiled RD
Florence , SC 29501

April 12, 2011

Rep. Alan Clemmons
Subcommittee Chairperson, House Redistricting
522B Blatt Bldg.
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Rep. Clemmons,

Thank you and your committee for coming to Myrtle Beach this past week to seek input from our area regarding Redistricting of House of Representatives District serving our political area/

As we all know ...the growth in certain parts of Horry and Georgetown Counties will require some re-redesign of Districts. Which will probably lead to a new House Seat in Horry County.

In looking at our two counties and with the prospect of a NEW Congressional District 7 being made up of ...Horry, Georgetown, Florence, Darlington, Marion, Dillon and Chesterfield...we must consider in ANY redrawing of lines of the impact on the counties, districts and the voters within those areas.

The Waccamaw Neck area of Georgetown County has had an explosion of growth since the last census, much like Horry County and the Carolina Forest area.

We would NOT want to see House Seat 108 district lines change in the Waccamaw Neck area. House Seat 106 should stay in Horry County.

We do support maintaining House Seat 108 on the Waccamaw Neck (coastline), parts of Georgetown City (not all) and along the coast to Mt. Pleasant. This is much the same design as the current Congressional District 1. The growth of this area is much the same therefore looking for and wanting the same support from its Representatives.

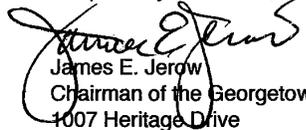
We support Georgetown County to be part of the NEW Congressional District 7. We support keeping House Seat (100%) on the Waccamaw Neck, parts of City of Georgetown (coast) and the coastline to Mt. Pleasant.

We do not support moving House Seat 106 into Georgetown County.

We think this process will help House Seat 103 which needs growth in number to grow more in Georgetown County making both House Seats stronger for their voters.

You and your committee have a tremendous job and we wish you luck.

Respectfully Submitted,



James E. Jerow
Chairman of the Georgetown County Republican Party
1007 Heritage Drive
Pawleys Island, SC 29585
Phone: 843-237-9456

Richard Chalk

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BEAUFORT HOUSE #s
FROM KEN GEORGE
Chelk@hargray.com

James E. Smith, Jr.
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Emma Dean
Assistant Chief Counsel

April 6, 2011

Mr. Richard Chalk
19 Bow Circle, Suite C
Hilton Head, SC 29928

Dear Mr. Chalk:

Please find enclosed the redistricting information that you requested. If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E/ED".

Emma T. Dean
Assistant Chief Counsel

ETDD:lca

Linda Anderson

To: hcampbell@darcosc.com
Subject: Redistricting

Dear Mr. Campbell:

Thank you for your letter regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Darlington County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact the House Judiciary Committee.

*Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel
South Carolina House Judiciary Committee
1105 Pendleton Street, Room 512
Columbia, South Carolina 29201
Telephone: 803.734.3120
Fax: 803.212.7356*

*Original turned
in at Community
Meeting in Florence
April 5th*

April 5, 2011

The Honorable Denny W. Neilson
State House of Representative
109 Carol Drive
Darlington, South Carolina 29532

Dear Representative Neilson:

Hopefully the legislative delegation can work to keep the Statehouse districts in Darlington County as near intact as it has in the past. The Statehouse districts in our County are certainly voter friendly and easy to enforce in the registration office.

I am certainly proud of the fine delegation that represents our county in both the House and Senate.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely

R. Hoyt Campbell
Director

June Cornelius

From: Hoyt Campbell [hcampbell@dacosc.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 04, 2011 3:43 PM
To: June Cornelius
Cc: Hoyt Campbell
Subject: Denny W. Neilson
Attachments: denny.doc

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June,

Hopefully I have attached tha file.

Hoyt Campbell
843-398-4900

*Original turned in
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Previously responded by letter
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116 Cashua Street, Darlington, SC 29532
Telephone: 843-393-9925
Facsimile: 843-393-6778

April 26, 2010

Alan Clemmons, Chairman
Elections Law Subcommittee- Redistricting
P. O. Box 11867
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Honorable Clemmons,

I am writing in support of maintaining District 56 intact during the upcoming redistricting process. Darlington is the county seat for our county and all county and local governmental offices are located in Darlington. District 56 encompasses the largest population of Darlington County and needs to remain a major district.

While Darlington County is a rural community, we have through the supportive efforts of our elected representatives, managed to have a school district that ranks 5th in our state for the highest graduation rate and 12th in our state in terms of report card ratings. We have several industries in our county that provides essential jobs for our residents.

Representatives Denny Neilson, Jay Lucas and Robert Williams have helped shape our county, our respective communities and our schools. Our citizens are grateful for their tireless efforts and support them as shown in their being reelected back to Columbia in every election cycle. Losing any one of these three seats would have a negative impact on our community, especially in a time that we need their support more than ever!

Therefore, Wilson Senior Care, an employee owned organization of more than 500 employee-owners respectfully request the redistricting committee strongly consider maintaining the three seats that we have for District 56.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis A. Lofe", written over a horizontal line.

Dennis A. Lofe, FACHE
President/ Chief Executive Officer
Wilson Senior Care



Office of the Superintendent
120 E. Smith Avenue, Darlington, SC 29532

April 18, 2011

Dear Redistricting Committee:

Darlington County is a rural community with high unemployment. More than 80% of the students served by the Darlington County School District are eligible for free and reduced lunch. Studies indicate that the higher the poverty level, the more likely the students will face challenges academically.

In spite of this, the Darlington County School District (DCSD) has the 5th highest graduation rate in South Carolina and ranks 12th in the state terms of the report card ratings. Our annual dropout rate in the Darlington County School District is 1.4%, less than half of the state average of 3.33%, and our 2010 on-time graduation rate is 87.5%.

This is all possible through the hard work and dedication of our teachers, parents and school staff. However, it is also true that the tireless efforts of our legislative delegation have supported our efforts and made these successes possible. Representatives Denny Neilson, Jay Lucas, and Robert Williams have helped to shape our county, our community, and our schools and we are grateful for their work.

Losing any one of these three seats could have a devastating impact on our community. It could also potentially hinder some of our efforts to become one of the top 10 school districts within South Carolina, a true disservice to the children of our county.

Therefore we respectfully request the Redistricting Committee reconsider removing a representative from our district. Our children deserve the best chances to succeed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rainey H. Knight".

Rainey H. Knight, Ph.D.

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Election Law Subcommittee

Redistricting

P.O. Box 11867

Columbia, SC 29211

Dear Honorable Clemmons:

I am writing to you today to ask you to do everything in your power to see that District 56, which is represented by Representative Denny Neilson remain intact and that we do not lose the only representative who resides in the City of Darlington. We are the County Seat and the location of the County Court House and offices. District 56 represents the largest number of people in the County and the loss of this district would be a severe blow to the hopes and aspirations of the many citizens who have come to know and to rely on Representative Neilson.

Representative Neilson served on our City Council and is the one person who understands the way our City works and most importantly, our needs. Perhaps it is selfish for me as Mayor of Darlington to ask for your committee to retain someone so close to me personally and to the City, but because of this closeness I know firsthand her qualifications, her experience, her dedication, and her ability to get things done for her constituents. We know what she has done for education, our senior citizens, and for everyone who appreciates a better quality of life.

While we appreciate the representation of Jay Lucas and Robert Williams, we as a City are not prepared to lose Representative Denny Neilson. We ask your committee to strongly consider leaving District 56 intact.

With many thanks,



Tony Watkins

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March 30, 2011

Mr. Malcolm Smiley
113 Mystic Lane
Walterboro, SC 29488

Dear Mr. Smiley:

Thank you for your letter regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Walterboro and Colleton County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Dennis
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Lorene Arledge

From: Jenny Horne
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 9:13 PM
To: Lorene Arledge
Subject: FW: Redistricting ~ Website email from Malcolm Smiley

Lorene,

I have received several letters from people in Colleton County about redistricting. I would like you to prepare a form letter thanking them for their feedback and inviting them to attend the House Redistricting public forum in Summerville on April 14. The details of the meeting in Summerville time and location are in a memo that Linda has in Judiciary.

Thanks,
Jenny

From: mjsmiley@lowcountry.com [mjsmiley@lowcountry.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 11:53 AM
Subject: Redistricting ~ Website email from Malcolm Smiley

Dear Representative Horne, Your work on the redistricting of Walterboro and Colleton County is of the utmost importance to me and all other members of my community! As I am sure you are aware, at the present time the City of Walterboro and Colleton County are divided six ways; three House districts and three senate districts and not a single resident legislator. I trust that you recognize the inequity of this situation and will support redistricting in a way that produces at least one legislator who is a resident of and who represents the Walterboro and Colleton County. Obviously, our future depends on our having a legislator in Columbia who shares our goals and has a vested interest in placing Colleton County first in his deliberations. Sincerely,
Malcolm Smiley 113 Mystic Lane Walterboro, SC 29488

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March 28, 2011

Ms. Mary Z. Corbett
105 South Miller Street
Walterboro, SC 29488

Dear Ms. Corbett:

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We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

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Mary Z. Corbett
105 South Miller St.
Walterboro, SC 29488
March 18, 2011

The Honorable Thomas R. Young
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416 B Blatt Building
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Respectfully,



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March 24, 2011

Ms. Mary Anne Cannady
Cannady Agency, Inc.
PO Box 799
Walterboro, SC 29488-0008

Dear Ms. Cannady:

Thank you for your letter dated March 21, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, Colleton County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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Cannady Agency, Inc.

March 21, 2011

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416 B Blatt Building
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There are many problems with the current district lines. Because Colleton County has so many different legislators, no one is responsible to the people. I am sure that you are aware that Colleton County does not have a resident legislator. Colleton County has gotten "lost in the shuffle" because our representatives are from other counties and we do not have a "community of interest". A resident legislator would have the best interests of our community at heart and Colleton's needs would not be placed on the back burner. With our own representation, we would come first; something for which Colletonians are long overdue.

Having been left out of the legislative process for over ten (10) years, we, as Colletonians, feel that it is our time - time for Colleton County to have a voice in Columbia. We need this in order to grow our economy and to enrich the citizens of Colleton County.

Colleton County needs a legislator who represents all of us or at the very least, a vast majority of us. Colleton County needs a seat at the table. Won't you help us by giving Colleton County a voice?

Sincerely yours,



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March 24, 2011

Mr. Bennie H. Ordell
1003 Wichman Street
Walterboro, SC 29488

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March 18, 2011
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The Honorable Thomas R. Young
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Re: Redistricting Colleton County

Dear Rep. Young:

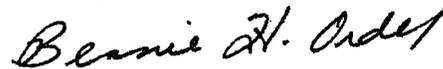
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Please look carefully at the injustice we have suffered for ten years.

Sincerely,



Bennie H. Ordell



Ronald H. Ordell

March 18, 2011
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February 15, 2011

J. F. Flowers, M.D.
579 Longleaf
Walterboro, South Carolina 29488

Dear Dr. Flowers:

Thank you for your letter dated February 14, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, as it relates to Colleton County.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "P. G. Dennis".

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

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J.F. FLOWERS
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February 14, 2011

Honorable Alan Clemmons
S.C. House of Representatives
P.O. Box 11867
Columbia, S. C. 29211-1867

Dear Representative Clemmons:

This letter is in regard to the redistricting of the State of South Carolina this year due to the requirements by census every 10 years.

Colleton County has been fragmented and split up into 3 house districts and 3 senate districts for at least 10 years. Because of the fragmentation of representation, we really do not have any representation in Columbia. We have no one we can turn to who can help us get anything done for our county. We would request, in the redistricting process, that you please try to district Colleton County so we can at least have a representative that is elected wholly from Colleton County. This would give us someone we can turn to in Columbia for representation. I have served on County Council for over 10 years and have recently been Chairman of County Council for 4 years. We have been very frustrated in our ability to get anything done at the state level.

I would very much appreciate your help in this endeavor as I do feel the people in this county do not have adequate representation based on these facts. Thank you very much for your time in addressing this issue. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. My cell phone # is 843-893-6219.

Sincerely,



J.F. Flowers, M.D.

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Through such a human-computer collaboration, a user can quickly derive high-quality redistricting plans that satisfy both individual preferences and mandatory requirements, which are difficult to achieve with existing methods.

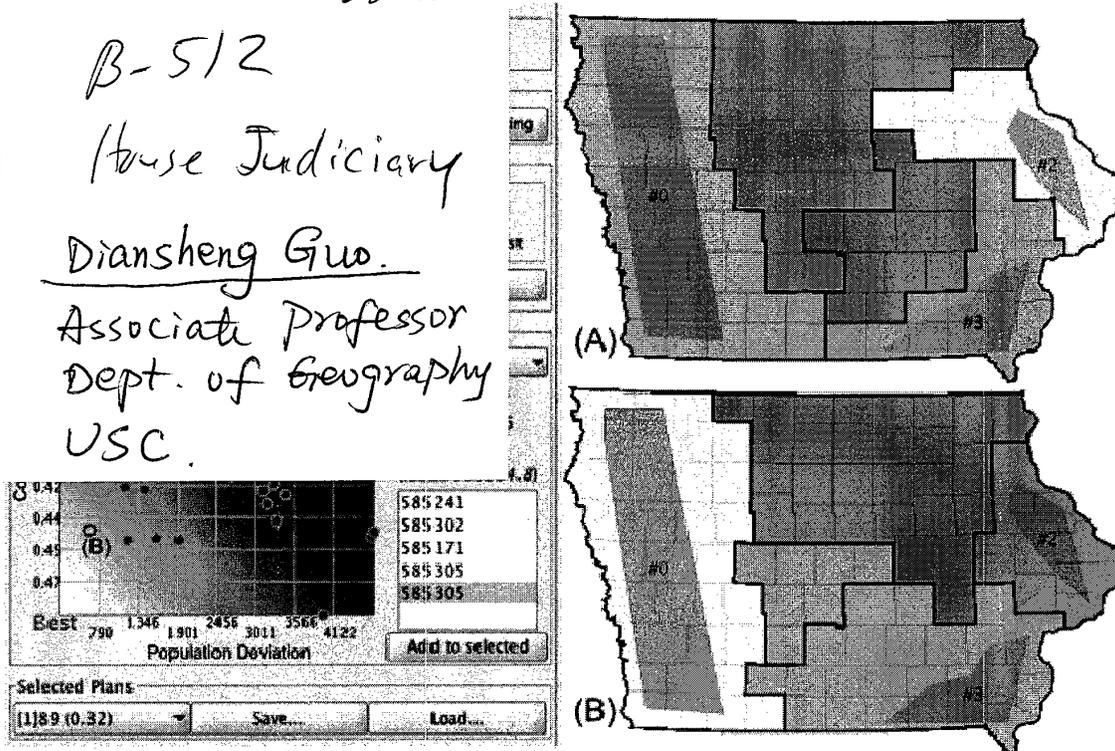
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2. Quality

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City of Walterboro
242 Hampton Street
Walterboro, South Carolina 29488

Mailing Address:
Post Office Box 709
Walterboro, South Carolina 29488-0008

March 8, 2011

The Honorable Thomas R. Young
S.C. House of Representatives
416 B Blatt Building
Columbia SC 29201

Dear Representative Young:

It was good to see you in Columbia. I continue to receive and value your emails about what is happening in the state legislature.

I am writing to solicit your help in the redistricting process. We are respectfully requesting that you do everything possible during your deliberations to give us a representative that is elected wholly from Colleton County.

As you know, we are currently divided into three senate districts and three house districts. The City of Walterboro is even divided up six ways. Because we have no resident representative, there is no community of interest where our electorate is concerned. This has made it very difficult to get anything accomplished when help is needed from Columbia and is an untenable situation for our citizens. A resident legislator would share a unity of purpose with local officials to do what's best for Colleton County and work with us to move forward.

I would appreciate your support in helping us to fight the good fight and give a voice to the people of Colleton County. Thank you very much for sharing your valuable time with me. If you have any questions, or if there or other ways I can help to get this redistricting accomplished, please let me know. You can reach me at 843-908-2571. I look forward to seeing you in Beaufort.

Yours truly,



Bill Young
Mayor, City of Walterboro

*Tom Young sent these
to be held in the
redist. file - no action
necessary.*

Hand delivered

*3-16-11
2:50pm*

The Honorable Thomas R. Young
House Redistricting Committee
416 B Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

March 9, 2011

Dear Mr. Young,

I hope I can express to you how frustrating it is to those of us who live in Colleton County, and especially in Walterboro, to feel unrepresented. There are three house members and three senators each representing a tiny fragment of our population and therefore no one feels a sense of responsibility for the city and county as a whole.

Remarkably, the city of 6500 people is divided into six districts. This is akin to taxation without representation.

The six representatives we have all reside in other counties and understandably have strong ties and commitments to their majority constituents to the disadvantage of our interest.

We are hopeful you will use your influence to remedy this unjust districting scheme that we have lived with for the last 10 years and provide us with a resident legislator to give us a voice in legislative matters.

Thanking you in advance for your sincere attention to this matter. With best wishes and kind regards, I remain

Yours Very Truly,



Moultrie D. Plowden
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March 8, 2011

The Honorable Alan Clemmons
S.C. House of Representatives
522 B Blatt Building
Columbia, SC 29201

Dear Representative Clemmons:

Thank you for allowing me to visit with you to talk about the redistricting of legislative districts as it pertains to Colleton County. As we discussed when we met, we are respectfully requesting that you do everything possible during your deliberations to give us a representative that is elected wholly from Colleton County.

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From: Patrick Dennis
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 9:26 AM
To: Linda Anderson
Subject: FW: Walterboro
Attachments: Young Letter to Clemmons.pdf; ATT00001.htm

Mail log.

From: Alan Clemmons [mailto:clemmons1@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 16, 2011 2:57 PM
To: Patrick Dennis
Subject: Fwd: Walterboro

Please place this letter in the public input file and respond appropriately. Thanks.

Sent via iPhone by:
Rep. Alan Clemmons
SC House of Representatives
1800 North Oak St. Suite A
Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Annie Wessinger" <awessinger@capconsc.com>
Date: March 16, 2011 2:39:44 PM EDT
To: <clemmons1@aol.com>
Subject: Walterboro

Representative Clemmons,

Please find attached a letter from Bill Young, Mayor of Walterboro. A copy has been mailed to both your Columbia and Myrtle Beach offices as well. Your consideration of these issues is greatly appreciated.

Please contact us if you have any questions or if we may provide any clarification.

Annie Wessinger

General Counsel

Capitol Consultants

P.O. Box 1763

Columbia, SC 29202

The Honorable Jenny Anderson Horne
Senate Redistricting Committee
308 B Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

March 9, 2011

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Thanking you in advance for your sincere attention to this matter. With best wishes and kind regards, I remain

Yours Very Truly,



Moultrie D. Plowden
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March 16, 2011

Mr. Moultrie D. Plowden
71 Wade Hampton Avenue
Walterboro, South Carolina 29488

Dear Mr. Plowden:

Thank you for your letter dated March 9, 2011, regarding the redistricting of the State of South Carolina; specifically, as it relates to Colleton County and Winnsboro, South Carolina.

We welcome all of your concerns and suggestions, and we will certainly take them under consideration during the redistricting process.

If you have any questions in the future, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

Patrick G. Dennis
Chief Counsel

PGD:lca

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Charles Lucas

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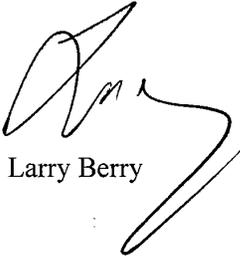
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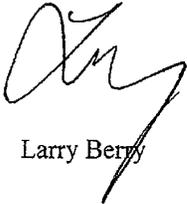
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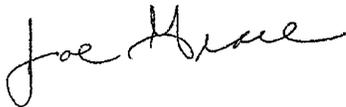
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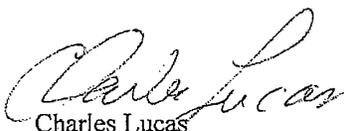
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Charles Lucas

We, Citizens of District 52 are OPPOSED to this happening (Redistricting)! Whx!

PETITION

To the Honorable Members of the SC House of Representatives:

We, the citizens of ~~Camden~~^{CASSATT} precinct, have a strong commonality of interest with the City of Camden and Kershaw County. We strongly desire to be retained in SC House District 52, which traditionally has been represented by Kershaw County's resident representative.

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Melissa Casard	1745 Helene Richens Rd	Rh TC 095@msh.com
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Michele B. Miller	1957 Thoroughfare Branch Rd	Cassatt SC 29032
JEROME BIRKET	1791 OLD SPANGLER RD.	
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Mary McCasbell	1912 Wathens Rd Cassatt SC	29032
Ruth Bennett	1293 Hwy 1 N Cassatt SC	29032
Dorothy Key	P.O. Box 131 Cassatt SC	29032
Chris Wright	P.O. Box 3 Cassatt SC	29032
Robert A. Ryan	2192 Beaumont Rd Cassatt SC	29032
Frank Richards	1727 Hwy 1 N, Cassatt SC	29032
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Exhibit from Mr. Strawbridge

PRECINCT	TOTAL POP	# LEFT IN PCT	# REMOVED	
FRUIT HILL	1065	245	820	
MAYSON	669	339	300	
SALUDA # 1	3058	2891	167	
SALUDA #2	2371	1867	504	
WARD	725	93	632	
RICHLAND	963	927	36	
RIDGE-SPRING MONETTA	1279	1189	90	
PLEASANT CROSS	330	0	330	
TOTALS	10,460	7551	2879	27.50%

DISTRICT 39 POPULATION BY COUNTY

SALUDA	16,996	44.46%
LEXINGTON	21,229	55.53%

Town of Hilda

35 Railroad Avenue
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Hilda, SC 29813

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May 22, 2011

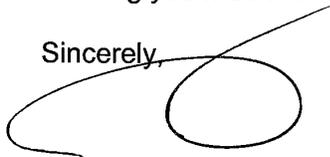
Attorney Alan Clemmons
V Chairman
Redistricting Sub Committee

Dear Mr. Clemmons:

Upon reviewing the proposed redistricting map, I would like to express to you and your committee that during this redistricting session, my constituents and I desire to be left with the rest of Barnwell County area to make the county whole. This only makes sense to us and I can see no real advantage to redistricting us out of the rest of Barnwell County. Barnwell County is our County seat and we would like to remain as is. Seems this can only cause more confusion on voting day and there is enough of this already.

Wishing you much success.

Sincerely,

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John T. McClary

JTM/bre



Res _____

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING DUE CONSIDERATION OF REPRESENTATION FOR THE CITY OF MAULDIN AT THE COUNTY, STATE, AND NATIONAL LEVEL ASSOCIATED WITH THE REDISTRICTING PROCESS ATTRIBUTED TO CENSUS 2010.

WHEREAS, the city of Mauldin, South Carolina (Mauldin), is a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the State of South Carolina; and,

WHEREAS, Mauldin is currently represented by two Senators and four House members; and,

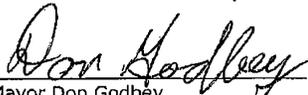
WHEREAS, Census 2010 has been conducted, results have been released, and the redistricting process has begun; and,

WHEREAS, Census 2010 results indicate the City of Mauldin has grown at a rate of 50.3% with a population of nearly 22,889 and a fire service area of approximately 35,000; and,

WHEREAS, these population numbers combined with Mauldin's rate of growth are ideal for a more singular house district;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Don Godbey, Mayor of the City of Mauldin, South Carolina, along with the Mauldin City Council, officially request that our state legislature provide due consideration of our representation by county, state, and federal legislative bodies.

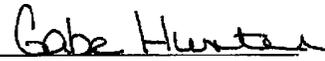
DATED this 16th Day of May in the year 2011.



Mayor Don Godbey



Councilman Bob Cook

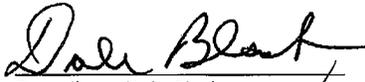


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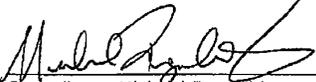
Councilman James Kennedy



Councilwoman Patricia Gettys



Councilman Dale Black



Councilman Michael Reynolds



Attest: Municipal Clerk Cindy Miller

Tribune-Times



WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2011

Serving the Golden Strip community since 1911

Mauldin mayor seeks city voice in House

Case for representation made when new political boundaries are drawn

By Nathaniel Cary

TRIBUNE-TIMES WRITER
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Four different state House districts cover slices of the city of Mauldin, but not a single one covers a major portion of the city. Mauldin's Mayor Don Godbey wants that to change, and he says now is the time for Mauldin to get its own dedicated House representative.

As redistricting plans continue to be hashed out, Godbey said that due to the speed of the city's growth, its residents de-

serve a "go-to" representative in the state legislature.

Political boundaries will be redrawn following the latest results in the 2010 census.

Political leaders and residents across Greenville County have started to make their voices heard, and Godbey said he's looking to push the discussion in Mauldin's favor.

Godbey said that data over the past decade that puts Mauldin near the top of the list of South Carolina's fastest-growing cities make a compelling argu-

ment for a Mauldin House district, but similarly-paced increases may not be sustainable over the next decade.

When the city approaches its legislators for assistance, Godbey said, "We're one of several others that they're having to try and work with."

"It isn't that we're being ignored or we're not being taken care of," he said. "We just don't have somebody who's our go-to guy."

If the majority of a constituency were from the Mauldin area, the House member would be more prone to take care of the majority of residents, he said.



What issues would you like to see state House members tackle to help the Golden Strip? Share your thoughts at facebook.com/tribunetimes.

Godbey said he's looking for the kind of attention a House member from a dedicated Mauldin district would bring, "a very strong advocate for specific Mauldin projects."

Currently, Mauldin is split among House districts 24, 25, 27 and 28. Those districts are represented by Bruce Bannister, Karl Allen, Garry Smith and Eric Bedingfield, respectively. ¶

Godbey said his push for a dedicated House district comes more from the di-

vided interests of House members than from any current issues.

"We've had a good relationship with the four House members we've got, and I think we work well with them," he said. "I think there is a very real sense of, 'they have divided interests' similar to County Council, where we're represented not as a whole, not as an entity, but ... There are other interests, there are other constituent voices."

FI market returns



Sanders: Roll back tax hikes

Council member casts lone vote against budget

By Nathaniel Cary
TRIBUNE-TIMES WRITER
ncary@tribunetimes.com

At least one Simpsonville City Council member wants the city to roll back

members of Council supported it on first reading.

Prior to the vote, Waldrop said department heads didn't get all of their needs addressed in the budget and he thanked employees for their understanding, though they would not receive cost of living raises this year. He



Greenville County Council

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May 10, 2011

To: Members of the Greenville Delegation, Honorable Bobby Harrell, &
Honorable Glen McConnell

From: Councilman Joe Baldwin

Subject: Congressional Redistricting

After attending two public hearings on Congressional Redistricting sponsored by the State Senate and State House of Representatives and after hearing from many influential members of the community outside of these hearings, it was apparent to me that the attached Resolution was highly appropriate for adoption by the Greenville County Council. When the Resolution came to the floor of Council, all members were enthusiastic and asked that it be passed by acclamation, which under our rules signifies emphatic support. We believe that as the elected representatives of our citizens, this Resolution should be granted great respect and consideration in re-drawing of the Congressional lines.

Thank you for your kind consideration for the wishes of the citizens of Greenville County.

No. 1405

A RESOLUTION

IN SUPPORT OF ENCOURAGING THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INCLUDE ALL OF GREENVILLE COUNTY IN A SINGLE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, the South Carolina General Assembly is currently in the process of redrawing district voting lines based on data from the 2010 census showing population growth and population changes in this State;

WHEREAS, as a result of the growth of the population of the Upstate, the General Assembly must redraw the boundaries of the 4th Congressional District as its population now exceeds the ideal population for each of South Carolina's seven congressional districts;

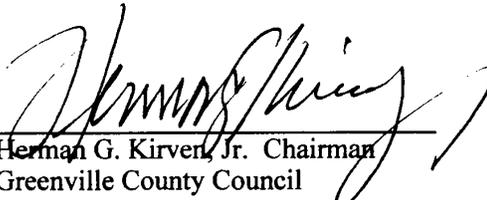
WHEREAS, Greenville County citizens have traditionally been represented by a single congressman;

WHEREAS, Greenville County contains many communities of interest that are each an integral part of the County as a whole, and including Greenville County in its entirety in one congressional district would maintain the integrity of these communities; and

WHEREAS, continuing to include all of Greenville County in one congressional district would ensure fair representation for the citizens of this County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE GREENVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL encourages the South Carolina General Assembly to include all of Greenville County in one congressional district.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS 3rd DAY OF MAY, 2011.


Herman G. Kirven, Jr. Chairman
Greenville County Council

ATTEST:


Theresa B. Kizer
Clerk of Council


Joseph M. Kernell
County Administrator

VOICES

THE GREENVILLE NEWS EDITORIAL

Don't carve up Greenville County

The state House map that would carve up Greenville County and put it in two congressional districts is only the first public draft of the proposed new political boundaries for South Carolina. That's a good thing because this proposal just won't work.

Greenville County should remain in one congressional district by the time the redistricting of our state's congressional districts is over. Greenville County's legislative delegation owes it to the residents of Greenville County to work as if their political lives depend on it to bring a large measure of justice and common sense to this redistricting process.

Political district lines are redrawn every 10 years after the U.S. Census shows the impact of population changes on existing voting districts. The big battles most often concern congressional districts, but smaller though still important skirmishes take place around the need for new lines for state legislative seats and even local government councils.

South Carolina's population has grown considerably over the past 10 years, and the exciting news is that our state will get an additional congressman. Because the most explosive growth

has taken place along the coast, it's no surprise that the new congressional district will most likely include Horry County and more northeastern counties.

The 4th Congressional District that now includes Greenville, Spartanburg and Union counties, as well as a slice of Laurens County, obviously will have to be divided to achieve a new district of roughly 660,000 people. A perfect solution would be to have the metro counties of Greenville and Spartanburg in one congressional district, but any redistricting plan will not accommodate that idea. The two counties have about 75,000 more people than fit in one voting district.

In public hearings leading up to the drawing of new voting boundaries, Greenville County residents have voiced strong support for keeping our county intact. That support was echoed recently in a unanimous resolution by Greenville County Council. The resolution was on target when it said, "Continuing to include all of Greenville County in one congressional district would ensure fair representation for the citizens of the county."

The state's tremendous growth over the past decade will force Green-

ville and Spartanburg counties apart for the first time. Various suggestions have been floated: Many leave Greenville County intact and shave a part off Spartanburg County.

Some slice off the southern-most part of each county. One idea even calls for the two counties to remain whole but in separate congressional districts.

A non-starter in this debate is the plan that jumped off the drawing board last week in the state House of Representatives. In it, Spartanburg County would remain whole, while much of the population-dense Golden Strip of Greenville County would be put in the 3rd Congressional District.

Such a plan would drive a wedge in Greenville County, would lessen its political power, would damage its ability to effectively influence some economic decisions and most likely would diminish the power of the large minority communities in Greenville County. As Ennis Fant, a former state representative from Greenville who now is co-chairman of the African-American Pastor Leadership Conference, told *The Greenville News*, "I don't think this dog will hunt."

It won't. The House plan is just a proposal at this point —

and one that must wind its way through various votes in the House. The state Senate will develop its own plan, and already there's speculation it will differ considerably from the House draft. The Legislature ultimately must agree on a congressional map, and then that will go to Gov. Nikki Haley for her approval or veto. And finally, the U.S. Justice Department must sign off on the plan because South Carolina is one of a number of Southern states that has not escaped its long history of discrimination against minority voters.

Greenville County is an economic powerhouse in the state although its political influence has been diminished in recent years. The county most often has been the home of the 4th District congressional representative, but that changed last year when Spartanburg County prosecutor Trey Gowdy solidly defeated incumbent Rep. Bob Inglis in the Republican primary.

The House draft of the new congressional districts should provide the proper wake-up call for Greenville County. If it doesn't, our county could find itself carved up like a Thanksgiving turkey by the time the Legislature gets through redrawing the congressional map.



Charles Krauthammer
Columnist

Mideast doctrine analyze

Herewith President Obama's May 15 Middle East speech, annotated:

"It will be the policy of the United States to promote reform across the region, and to support transitions to democracy"

With this Barack Obama openly, unreserved and without a trace of irony or self-reflection adopts the Bush Doctrine, which made the spread of democracy the key U.S. objective in the Middle East.

"Too many leaders in region tried to direct the people's grievances elsewhere. The West was blamed as the source of ills."

Note how even Obama's rationale matches Bush's.

Bush argued that because the roots of 9/11 were to be found in the deflected anger of repressed Middle Eastern peoples, our response would require a democratic transformation of the region.

"We have a stake not in the stability of nation but in the self-determination of individuals."

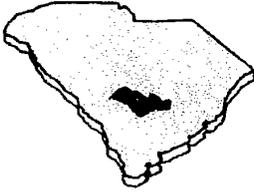
A fine critique of exactly the kind of "realism" the Obama administration prided itself for having

LETTERS

Memorial Day began in Northern states

In the May 15 paper, a letter writer expressed curiosity about Confeder-

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May 23, 2011

Mr. Allen Clemmons, Chairman
Election Law Sub-Committee
House Judiciary Committee
Room 512 Blatt Building
Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Sir:

I am a resident of Orangeburg, South Carolina, House District # 95 and a District # 7, County Councilman in Orangeburg County. I have had the opportunity to review three proposed District # 95 S.C. House Plans. I am asking that you adopt Representative Govan's, Plan A. This plan is compact; keep communities of interest together, does not split precincts; wherein the State Proposed Plan is much less compact, it splits the following precincts: Sub-5, Ward-4 and Limestone -1.

The percentage of student population is often times misleading when it includes colleges in the district. Students are very mobile and often times the numbers may be as much as 20% off. This is a strong possibility with District 95 because of Claflin and SC State University students, therefore; the Black population is approximately 58% or lower in the district.

Please give this request your most serious consideration.

Sincerely,

Willie B. Owens

May 24, 2011

The Honorable Allan Clemmons
Chairman, Election Laws Sub-committee
South Carolina House of Representatives
Blatt Building, 1105 Pendleton St.
Columbia, SC 29211

RE: House District 95 Reapportionment Plan

Dear Chairman Clemmons:

This letter is with reference to the proposed reapportionment plan for House District 95.

As a longtime active, resident, participant in political community in Orangeburg, former candidate for the South Carolina House, former Mayor Pro tempore and longtime member of Orangeburg City Council, I am writing in opposition to the plan as proposed for the following reasons.

The plan continues the desolation of House District 95 from that of City / Suburban District. Over the past several years more precincts from the city have been taken away and placed in other Districts with little if any community of interest with the City of Orangeburg.

Secondly, the plan dilutes minority voting strength by significantly decreasing the BVAP, particularly when one considers the student populations of Claflin and South Carolina State Universities.

Finally the plan undermines the base of the District by taking away a key precinct that that has been a part of the District since it's inception in the 1970's.

We all understand the need for these Districts to pick up population, however to destroy the continuity and community of interest of an area to do so when there are other viable options is not fair to the residents affected or in the best interest of the District.

Sincerely,

Liz Zimmerman-Keitt
Councilwoman, City of Orangeburg

Cc Rep. Jerry N. Govan, Jr.



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May 23, 2011

Election Laws Subcommittee
Hon. Alan Clemmons, Chairman
Room 522B
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Chairman Clemmons and members of the Elections Laws Subcommittee:

I regret that my schedule will not allow me to appear before you today to speak on an issue of utmost importance to the citizens of Aiken County, this region, and our state. While I am certainly interested in the eventual makeup of our local South Carolina House and Senate districts, the Congressional redistricting for our state is of particular interest to Aiken County. This re-districting, as required by the US Constitution after the decennial census, will have a lasting impact on the economy and viability of our region and state.

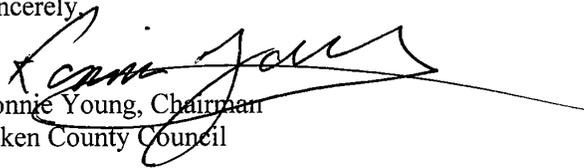
Currently, Aiken County contains a portion of both Congressional Districts 2 and 3. While some counties may prefer to be wholly contained within one district, I contend that having two districts within our county strengthens our representation in Washington, D.C., particularly regarding the Savannah River Site. While the entire South Carolina Congressional Delegation has been invaluable in our efforts to protect and expand the missions at Savannah River Site, I strongly believe that having two Congressmen with portions of the site and our county within their respective districts has been a great advantage when matters regarding the site are considered.

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Savannah River Site is by far the biggest economic engine in Aiken County and this region, and ranks as one of South Carolina's biggest assets. I hope that you will strongly consider the impact of SRS, the number of jobs and investments it brings to Aiken County, and the importance of future missions when making recommendations for the new Congressional Districts. I appreciate your time and attention to this very important matter.

By copy of this letter, I am urging the other members of Aiken County Council to contact you via letter or in person at the hearings.

Sincerely,



Ronnie Young, Chairman
Aiken County Council

cc: Hon. Jenny Horne
Hon. Tom Young
Hon. Karl Allen
Hon. Bakari Sellers
Aiken County Council Members