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Los Angeles City Council Redistricting
Commission

Los Angeles City Council
City Hall
200 N. Spring St.
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Council File No. 20-0668 – Redistricting Process

Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission,

Empowerment Congress West Area Neighborhood Development Council (ECWA) appreciates your work on redistricting and your efforts towards inclusion. We were pleased to hear that one primary goal of the Commissioners was to maintain neighborhood councils in a single council district.

Leimert Park and Crenshaw Manor are two demographically similar neighborhoods that should be kept together. They should not be split between council districts. As a culturally sensitive neighborhood council, we implore you to keep our neighborhoods intact under the representatives we voted to represent us—Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas from CD10 and Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson from CD8.

Historically, African Americans have been and continue to be disenfranchised. We request that you continue the effort to right this wrong by keeping our neighborhoods united, because we have common interest and shared cultural needs. ECWA supports the request of our stakeholders, including our Block Clubs and HOAs, that our district remains as it was mapped during the last redistricting process in 2011.

Thank you for your consideration.

In Solidarity,
Empowerment Congress West Area NDC (ECWA)