

To the Redistricting Committee:

We understand our area of Willow Glen is being considered for redistricting. As homeowners in Willow Glen for over forty years, we have several reasons to request you not follow through with this:

1. Our children were raised in the Willow Glen environment attending Booksin Elementary and Willow Glen High School. This has been their association with friends, neighbors and neighborhood for the same period of time;
2. Our neighborhood District 6, has been well served over the years, particularly now by our Councilman, Pierluigi Oliverio. He is accessible, genuinely concerned about his District and active in all events in our neighborhood. We have no intention of easily giving up this kind of representation!
3. We have been involved with the Willow Glen Home Tour for over twenty years as a charity, raising money for the San Jose Day Nursery. The Willow Glen Home Tour is restricted to Willow Glen and many of the homes showcased have been in our neighborhood. Our volunteer organization has had extensive discussions of what is Willow Glen and our neighborhood bounded by Leigh and Curtner has always been considered Willow Glen;
4. The legacy of the Willow Glen Neighborhood Association has provided the advocacy to keep Willow Glen a small town within a larger city. We appreciate their on-going efforts and support them by volunteering at our Willow Glen Library, actively attending St. Francis Episcopal church in Willow Glen, supporting the downtown Willow Glen restaurants and shops and socialize with our core groups of friends also in Willow Glen;
5. We have serious concerns that our property value will decrease without access to our Willow Glen Schools (We know that is not supposed to change but know that would be the next step!) and District 6;
6. We have lived in Willow Glen, District 6, over forty years, **WE CHOSE TO LIVE IN WILLOW GLEN** and, **WE LIKE IT HERE!**

**We feel our neighborhood interests are best served by remaining in District 6.** Please reconsider dividing Willow Glen as it would not serve the best interests of our Willow Glen community. The number goal of the redistricting committee should be to preserve neighborhoods and not divide them.

Sincerely,

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