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Subject: Redistricting

Gentlemen,

I am the principal of Presentation High School and was born and raised in Willow Glen. I am totally opposed to the proposal to redraw district lines and arbitrarily transfer neighborhoods south of Curtner from District 6 to District 9. While this may seem like a simple balancing of numbers, it is not. Our high school has been operating in Willow Glen for almost 50 years, and our identity is closely linked with District 6. All our advertising (print and web) communicates our location as the Willow Glen area of San Jose. That location means something, and we are proud of it. This change will have a financial impact on the school (re-printing to name one) and on our neighbors whose housing costs may be adversely affected.

Willow Glen may be larger than Camden, but we ARE “a cohesive neighborhood” and proud of it. We are happy to be led by you, Pierluigi, and wish to remain so.

If you must balance numbers, find another alternative—perhaps a less established housing area known as Rubino Circle rather than mess with residents who have called Willow Glen home for 50 years or more. Thank you for listening.

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