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Redistricting Commission,

My family has been in Willow Glen for several generations. Recently I discovered that the Redistricting process is under way in San Jose and that the further division of Willow Glen is being considered one block from my own home. In addition I notice that our former family property previously known as the Valley View packing plant is in the equation as well. This area is now developed with hundreds of market rate dwellings known as Rubino Circle.

We never considered this parcel of land bounded by Almaden Expressway, Capitol Expressway and at that time a non-existent highway 87 to be Willow Glen. Bringing Willow Glen together under one council district to Foxworthy as it was designed would be best. From my historical perspective and personal experience the area bounded by Almaden, Capitol and Hwy 87 is not integrated with the Willow Glen neighborhood. It seems quite obvious to me that area is separate and could have different Council representation and just be fine.

It is also my concern that the home of my Grandparents, which has stood for over 70 years in Willow Glen, is changing from district 6 to district 9.

My hope is that this email helps the commission come to a rational decision supported by the community. Keep Willow Glen together.

Sal Rubino Jr