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I am a real estate attorney and have been practicing from my office in Fallbrook since January 1990. I am writing this letter to express my feelings about the current redistricting efforts of the County. In particular, I am very concerned about the option under consideration to move Fallbrook, Valley Center and Bonsall from District 5 to District 2, comprised of the communities of El Cajon, La Mesa, Lemon Grove and Santee, and other suburban and rural unincorporated communities such as Lakeside, Spring Valley, Jamul, and Alpine.

This option makes no sense to me for several reasons:

1. I understand that redistricting criterion requires "Easily identifiable boundaries that follow natural or artificial barriers (rivers, streets, highways, rail lines, etc.)" when boundaries of districts are being set. North County, where Fallbrook, Valley Center and Bonsall lie are interconnected by the North County Transit System, and Highways 78 and 76. Moving Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow to the most southerly District in the County does not achieve the above-referenced redistricting criteria of connecting the areas within the District by established routes or identifiable boundaries.
2. It makes no logical sense, other than to attempt to deny the incorporated areas a fair vote at the County level, to arbitrarily move the northernmost communities to those most southerly within the County's jurisdiction.
3. North County has long been identified as a region that includes coastal, urban and rural areas, all of which together have formed decades-old interactive, mutually-dependent and successful relationships with government agencies, health care entities, youth sports leagues and social & cultural institutions. By way of the option complained of herein, removing that unincorporated communities of Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow from North County will cause damage to these established connections with no justifiable reason for making that change to those established and proven relationships.
4. Unincorporated areas such as Fallbrook, Bonsall and Rainbow face many challenges in developing and nurturing their community identities that are unique and distinct from the more urban communities. Those interests have no commonality to the interest of the communities encompassed within District 2. To maintain their vitality, these areas

need to maintain the existing and cohesive supervisorial district of which they have been a part, and flourished, under one supervisory district, District 5.

Without any substantial justifiable logic that would necessitate any change to a successfully-run existing District 5, this option should be completely taken off the table.

Thank you for your time in reviewing these comments.

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