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STATE OF ARIZONA  
ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

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PUBLIC SESSION

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1           The State of Arizona Independent Redistricting  
2 Commission convened in Public Session on September 13,  
3 2001, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., in Graham County at Eastern  
4 Arizona College Activities Center, 1014 College Avenue,  
5 Thatcher, Arizona, in the presence of:

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7   Appearances:

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9           CHAIRMAN STEVEN W. LYNN

10          COMMISSIONER JOSHUA M. HALL

11          COMMISSIONER DANIEL R. ELDER

12          LISA T. HAUSER, Commission Counsel

13          JOSE DE JESUS RIVERA, Commission Counsel

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2 PRESENTATION BY:

3 COMMISSIONER JOSHUA M. HALL

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5 SPEAKERS FROM CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

6 SUPERVISOR MARK HERRINGTON (Graham County)

7 WRITTEN SUBMITTAL FROM MARK C. HERRINGTON, JAMES A.  
8 PALMER, and DREW JOHN (Graham County Board of  
Supervisors)

9 MAYOR AIDA LOPEZ (Clifton)

10 TONYA WILLIAMS (Town Manager, Clifton)

11 BARBARA HARALSON

12 COUNCILPERSON DOUG HOOPES

13 MAYOR CHARLES M. MORRIS (Thatcher - by written  
14 submittal)

15 PAUL BRIERLEY

16 PHILLIP HOGUE

17 DAVID M. NEWLIN (Town Manager, Duncan)

18 MAYOR JOE M. ARANDA (Hayden)

19 SUPERVISOR JIM PALMER (Graham County)

20 SUPERVISOR DON STACEY (Graham County)

21 VEANNE UDALL (Apache County Recorder)

22 SUE HALL (Clerk of Superior Court, Apache County)

23 TED POELSTRA

24 GARY GRIFFITH

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1 Public Session  
2 Thatcher, Arizona  
3 September 13, 2001  
4 6:30 o'clock p.m.

5 P R O C E E D I N G S

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7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Good evening, ladies and  
8 gentlemen. My name is Steve Lynn. I chair the  
9 Independent Redistricting Commission.

10 Thank you very much for being with us this  
11 evening. As is our custom, we are here to hear from the  
12 public. That is the purpose of the meeting. We do  
13 begin each of meetings with a brief Power Point  
14 presentation to bring everyone up to speed with where we  
15 are, to let people know how the process has gone to  
16 date, and exactly what we're interested in in terms of  
17 public comment.

18 Let me make some introductions and then  
19 we'll begin with the Power Point presentation.

20 Let me start, as people are still setting  
21 up. So we can be respectful of your time, we'd like to  
22 start as close to on-time as possible. Let me see who I  
23 am. That's good. Actually I'm sitting in the right  
24 place. Let me start. I'll start at that end of the  
25 table, introduce everybody down the row.

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1                   At the far end is Lisa Nance, the public  
2 stenographer. When you speak this evening, come up to  
3 the podium, and we'll ask you to say your name and spell  
4 it for Lisa so we'll have an accurate record of your  
5 identify for the comments. Next to Lisa, on the dias,  
6 Dr. Florence Adams. Dr. Adams is with our consulting  
7 firm, National Demographics Corporation. Next to  
8 Florence is Lisa Hauser, one-half of our legal counsel.  
9 Next to Ms. Hauser is Dan Elder, a Commissioner from  
10 Tucson. To my right is Joshua Hall, a Commissioner from  
11 St. Johns, Arizona. Then we have Jose Rivera, our other  
12 life revolves around Velcro, packing and unpacking his  
13 computer (laughter).

14                   MS. HAUSER: Even Velcro on his shoes  
15 (laughter).

16                   MR. RIVERA: Never learned how to tie  
17 (laughter).

18                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Next to Jose is Augusta  
19 Knight with the Redistricting Commission. Standing next  
20 to Augusta is Adolfo Echeveste, Executive Director.  
21 Amy Rezzonico, Public Information Officer for the  
22 Commission. Paul Cullor is working the slides. Alma  
23 greeted you as you came in the back and will be here as  
24 well to assist.

25                   (Whereupon, the Chairman addresses the

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1 audience in Spanish to see if anyone needs desires  
2 services of a Spanish interpreter. No one requests the  
3 services of an interpreter.)

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Gracias.

5 We'll conduct the meeting this evening in  
6 English.

7 Translation is available if someone should  
8 need it.

9 I would then ask that Mr. Hall give us the  
10 Power Point presentation this evening. Following that,  
11 we will take public comment.

12 If you haven't done so already, I'd  
13 appreciate it if you fill out a yellow speaker slip and  
14 turn it in at the conclusion of the Power Point  
15 presentation so we can get you to the podium as  
16 expeditiously as possible.

17 Mr. Hall, want to use this mike?

18 COMMISSIONER HALL: Thank you.

19 MR. ECHEVESTE: Speaker slips? Anyone  
20 need speaker slips?

21 COMMISSIONER HALL: Ladies and gentlemen,  
22 thank you this evening. It's very interesting as we're  
23 now at the second to the last meeting in the second  
24 round of public hearings, and a little tired, to say the  
25 least, a bit like a traveling carnival show. It's

1 interesting as we go from area to area to note the  
2 attendance at a meeting seems to dictate how unhappy or  
3 happy people are. And it seems to me that the happier  
4 people are with a current draft plan, the slimmer the  
5 attendance. The unhappy they are, the more packed the  
6 room is. Hopefully this is a good sign with our current  
7 configuration.

8 As you know, this is the second round of  
9 public hearings. We are here to hear from you as to how  
10 we've created the draft plans.

11 As part of that, Paul, if you want to go  
12 to the next screen.

13 We welcome your input on the draft  
14 Legislative Congressional maps.

15 Please.

16 Proposition 106 is set up with the  
17 following guidelines for us to create new districts  
18 which were started pursuant to the guidelines set forth  
19 therein.

20 The guidelines are as follows for us all  
21 to review.

22 The first two, federal districts are to  
23 comply with the United States Constitution, Voting  
24 Rights Act.

25 The Congressional Districts and

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1 Legislative Districts are to have equal population to  
2 the extent practicable.

3                   And districts shall be geographically  
4 compact and contiguous to the extent practical.

5                   District boundaries shall respect  
6 communities of interest, to the extent practicable.

7                   To the extent practicable, districts shall  
8 respect visible geographic features and city, county,  
9 and town boundaries.

10                   Finally, to the extent practicable, there  
11 should be competitive districts to the extent the  
12 creation would do no detriment to the other goals.

13                   Proposition 106, we started with a grid.  
14 As you may recall, our initial grid maps aggregated  
15 townships, which are six-mile-square building blocks and  
16 not dividing Census tracts only utilizing criteria of  
17 equal population. Aggregating equal population, there  
18 were created eight Congressional Districts and 30  
19 Legislative Districts. These were our starting point as  
20 required by the proposition. These were the grids.

21                   We then went and did the public hearings  
22 throughout the state. Throughout the state, citizens  
23 made it clear we should follow the following basic  
24 principles and priorities. They are, one, we should  
25 respect communities of interest; two, we should respect

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1 for -- show respect to cities, towns, county boundaries;  
2 three, that citizens also identified what were their  
3 communities of interest. And we have identified those  
4 as AURs, or Arizona units of representation.

5 Major community of interest were  
6 identified: Native American and Tribal interests;  
7 Hispanic interests; and rural and urban interests.

8 The Commission followed the mandates.

9 We then utilized the draft plans and  
10 adjusted the grid based upon the principles and heard  
11 from the citizens of the state in the first set of 24  
12 public hearings.

13 The draft plans had many fewer city and  
14 town splits. The existing Congressional Districts, for  
15 example, have 16 split cities and towns. The draft  
16 Congressional maps have less than half, six city and  
17 towns are split.

18 The existing Legislative Districts have 39  
19 city and towns split. We split only a third of that.  
20 In our draft there were 13.

21 Some cities cross county boundaries,  
22 tribal reservations. In such cases, county lines should  
23 not be left. Everywhere else, there was an effort to  
24 unite county boundaries, existing county boundaries.  
25 Realize there were six existing Congressional Districts

1 where in our draft there are eight Congressional  
2 Districts and we only split one additional county.

3                   The existing Legislative Districts split  
4 13 counties. Our draft Legislative Districts split only  
5 nine counties.

6                   The state major communities respected the  
7 draft plans. Tribal reservations were undivided in many  
8 cases, unified other tribal reservations, and maximized  
9 the voice of the Native American people.

10                   The Hispanic community of interest was  
11 kept together where possible and rural and urban  
12 communities were distinguished.

13                   Most AURs, Arizona units of  
14 representation, are respected by draft plans.

15                   Proposition 106 did not allow the  
16 Commission to competitiveness in the initial phase of  
17 drafting. We're now in the process of analyzing the  
18 competitive data and making adjustments and attempting  
19 to make adjustments to make each of the adjustments more  
20 competitive.

21                   Competitive districts favored no  
22 substantial detriment to other goals.

23                   The Commission designed the following  
24 draft plan. In the following the draft plan, there were  
25 eight Congressional Districts. I'm sure you've seen

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1 them.

2 Back up one real quick.

3 You can see that overall rural district in  
4 the far outside and then focus in on Metropolitan  
5 Phoenix. This is a zoom-in on that.

6 There are the Congressional Districts in  
7 Metropolitan Phoenix and the dividing line in  
8 Metropolitan Tucson.

9 We have also a draft plan for the Arizona  
10 30 Legislative Districts. I'm sure you've seen this.  
11 In fact, I saw it in your newspaper.

12 As we focus in on the metropolitan area of  
13 Phoenix, here's a detailed version of that. And here is  
14 a detailed version of Metropolitan Tucson.

15 We are here then to hear from you. And  
16 it's important you express to us what your particular  
17 concerns or likes or dislikes are relative to the  
18 Commission's draft plan.

19 I think it's important that if you like  
20 what we've done in the draft plan, you let us know you  
21 are pleased with that. If there is something you don't  
22 like, then we would be -- welcome and be interested in  
23 hearing what you may feel we can do differently to  
24 affect your area and in so doing, help us understand, if  
25 possible, what would be the ripple affect suggested by

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1 the changes you might make.

2                   Your particular district affects this area  
3 by the Commission designated as one of the AURs.  
4 Therefore, we would request you let us know whether or  
5 not that is the current feeling of this particular area  
6 or community.

7                   If, in addition, you'd like to provide  
8 input, obviously you can do so via mail or through our  
9 website, [www.azredistricting.org](http://www.azredistricting.org).

10                   The Commission continues to consider other  
11 alternatives as we begin to finalize our final plan.  
12 Those alternatives will be posted to our website.

13                   You see, for example, the alternatives on  
14 the back wall have been presented by some neighbors to  
15 the south, one of which affects your particular area.  
16 We would be interested as you make comments that you may  
17 well want to respond to those alternatives; also,  
18 provide us specific feedback so we understand what your  
19 perception is.

20                   With that, then, we are welcome to hear  
21 your input.

22                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Hall.

23                   The purpose of the meeting then this  
24 evening is to hear public input. We, again, ask if you  
25 wish to speak to us, you fill out a yellow speaker slip

1 and turn it in at any time during the course of the  
2 evening. We'll be happy to take comments.

3                   We have seven or eight people that have  
4 initially indicated they wish to speak. At the  
5 conclusion of those seven, eight speakers, we'd be happy  
6 to take anyone else that wishes to speak. The  
7 Commissioners will stay as long as any wish to engage in  
8 conversation, as long as you don't throw anything or  
9 don't say too many bad words. (Laughter) It's been a  
10 long two weeks. Actually, it's been a good two weeks.  
11 It's very useful.

12                   We are hopeful to receive the same kind of  
13 input from Southeastern Arizona; that you will give us  
14 an insight into how you feel about what we've done so  
15 far and what your feeling is in this part of the state.

16                   With that, then, let us take the speakers  
17 this evening.

18                   The first speaker is Mark Herrington who  
19 is a Graham County Supervisor.

20                   Supervisor Herrington.

21                   SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: I'm Mark  
22 Herrington, Graham County Supervisor.

23                   Mr. Chairman, members of the Commission,  
24 we're pleased be here and have the opportunity to  
25 address you.

1                   I want to thank you on behalf of Graham  
2 County and the rest the State of Arizona for all the  
3 hard work and all the other things you are trying to  
4 accomplish here.

5                   I'd like state for the record we are in  
6 favor of the district as it's currently drawn, the  
7 Legislative District, also the Congressional District.

8                   One of the things we've stated from the  
9 beginning in this process was the importance of having a  
10 rural Legislative District and a rural Congressional  
11 District. Sometimes there are some problems we face  
12 when our issues cannot be fully addressed because we  
13 compete with the metropolitan areas. That's one of the  
14 things we wanted specifically to avoid this time around.  
15 The other thing is for 10 years we have been divided.  
16 To some that might be a good thing. Graham County was  
17 split in half. A gentleman said we have double  
18 representation. In fact, it made it much more difficult  
19 to send representatives from our own area to the  
20 Legislature. It made it virtually impossible to  
21 Congress.

22                   So, in those ways, we're pleased, very  
23 pleased, with what we see.

24                   Community of interest is important.

25                   The organization, Eastern Arizona Counties

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1 Organization, of which Graham County is a member, I'm a  
2 member of the board. These counties are counties  
3 included in the current Legislative District drawn. We  
4 do have communities of interest, similar interests that  
5 are very important to us here and issues that are  
6 paramount to us as far as the future of our county,  
7 rural health care, endangered species, public land  
8 issues, forest health, grazing, and a myriad of other  
9 things we share in common with these other counties that  
10 would really serve us well in this district.

11 I'd like to also point out that this is  
12 the only Legislative District proposed that has  
13 unanimity among all Boards of Supervisors. We've all  
14 passed resolutions in favor of this. Also, we have  
15 support of the cities and towns within the boundaries of  
16 this district in the various counties.

17 We hope that this will stay as it is and  
18 that you'll let us kind of determine our own destiny  
19 here.

20 I realize there's people outside the  
21 district that would like to see it different. We just  
22 encourage it, to let us be able to have this district  
23 the way it's drawn up and also this Congressional  
24 District.

25 I have also a letter I'd like entered into

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1 the record from whoever I should give it to.

2 Thank you very much. I appreciate it.

3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Herrington, would you  
4 yield to a question or two.

5 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Certainly. I  
6 appreciate that. I think --

7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: What is very useful, we  
8 can engage in dialogue rather than just listening to  
9 your comments.

10 Mr. Elder.

11 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Yes, Supervisor  
12 Herrington. Would you comment on the three maps in the  
13 back. I want to say some competing Boards of  
14 Supervisors in the southern part of the state made  
15 proposals or various proposals. Do you have any  
16 preference or would you object to any of the three?

17 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Do I have a  
18 preference? If I had to settle for something different,  
19 I want it stated clearly on the record the way it's  
20 currently, drawn, is far and beyond our preference. Of  
21 the three maps on the wall, the only one I see that  
22 would be even remotely possibility would be the map to  
23 the far right there.

24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Could we identify that for  
25 the record?

1 MS. HAUSER: Number two.

2 COMMISSIONER ELDER: It may be number two.

3 MS. HAUSER: Number two.

4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Do you see  
5 similarities of goals, needs in the community.

6 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: I can't see the  
7 map real clear. I didn't look before we started. The  
8 idea is simply what I stated in the beginning. We want  
9 to be rural, in a rural area. We don't want to be  
10 globbed in with Pima County, metropolitan areas, where  
11 Pima County is going on.

12 I didn't look real good, I have to admit.

13 I think of the three maps, that's the  
14 least damage that way. The rest stretch far into Pima.  
15 It may be rural.

16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let's be clear. I think  
17 what you just said, there may be a conflict in the  
18 testimony. I want to be sure you are clear. The three  
19 maps in the back are an attempt to redraw not the  
20 district that you are in, this county we're in at the  
21 moment, but to redraw the district that primarily deals  
22 with Cochise, Santa Cruz, and some parts --

23 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Pima County.

24 CHAIRMAN LYNN: One and three choices, the  
25 one on the far right, includes parts of Graham and

1 Greenlee County in with Cochise in a Legislative  
2 District. That appears to be at odds with what --

3 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Right.

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: -- you have testified. I  
5 want you to be clear you are looking three maps that  
6 that particular choice does something different than you  
7 stated in your testimony.

8 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Correct.

9 I must have misunderstood you, Mr. Elder,  
10 I apologize.

11 The far left map then would probably be  
12 the one that would, for those folks, I believe, be the  
13 most conducive.

14 CHAIRMAN LYNN: To the left do not come  
15 into areas of Pima County, and it does address the  
16 strong border issue content.

17 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Uh-huh.

18 COMMISSIONER ELDER: It also addresses the  
19 minority-majority, or at least has a strong influence,  
20 if not a minority-majority district.

21 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The far right brings in  
22 Cochise.

23 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: We'd prefer going  
24 north rather than south.

25 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Two on the left.

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1 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Two on the left.

2 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I don't know the  
3 numbers, on the record.

4 MS. HAUSER: Four and five.

5 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Right.

6 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you very much.

7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Hall.

8 COMMISSIONER HALL: Let me tell you the  
9 argument we heard from folks at Cochise. The reason a  
10 significant group wanted the southern portion of Graham  
11 and Greenlee included with them, what they testified was  
12 based on a draw of an additional alliance, not only from  
13 a, I guess, some cattle associations that were  
14 affiliated, I guess, in years past, and considered there  
15 to be a traditional alliance in the southern Graham and  
16 Greenlee with northern Cochise. I guess for  
17 clarification for the Commission's benefit, if you could  
18 help us understand why your feeling is that you folks  
19 have a more or might have a preference north rather than  
20 south and maybe clarify that in our minds.

21 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: I believe the  
22 reason we want to go north rather than south, we hold  
23 more in common, I believe, with Greenlee County, and the  
24 fact that some of major issues that we are facing as far  
25 as these communities of interest that you are talking

1 about, that we work on in the Eastern Counties  
2 organization, I think, would be a stronger alliance  
3 going north than would be south. We don't share the  
4 border issues. There's a number of things we don't  
5 share, actually, going south, that we doing go north.

6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Herrington, I'd like  
7 to ask a question relative to the Congressional  
8 District. When that district, which is in fact a rural  
9 district, has been criticized, it's been criticized for  
10 one very basic reason, and that is its size.

11 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Uh-huh.

12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: It encompasses a  
13 tremendous number of square miles. This part of the  
14 state would be at one of the extremes of that district.  
15 And the argument has been made publicly that any person  
16 attempting to represent that district would find it  
17 difficult if not impossible to reach the far corners of  
18 that district and would rather spend time in the  
19 population centers of that district. Do you feel that  
20 the people of Graham County can be fairly represented in  
21 a district of that size with one representative having  
22 to cover as much of that land mass as is projected?

23 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: My first answer to  
24 your question is yes I do. Even beyond the fringes  
25 doesn't bother me. Populationwise, it's probably one of

1 the bigger population centers, if you take the whole  
2 valley, I think. Not so? Huh? My answer to that is I  
3 believe so. I believe it to fairly be.

4                   Since you brought that up, I'm glad you  
5 did. I think what ought to happen, I think what ought  
6 to be two rural Congressional Districts in this, be  
7 considered in this, and instead of being two Pima County  
8 numbers where there are two strictly rural Congressional  
9 Districts, and I think that way it wouldn't be quite as  
10 sprawling. I can't draw that for you, can't tell you  
11 exactly how it ought to be, I think that's very possible  
12 and very probable. That could be done and those could  
13 be both very -- totally rural in nature. And they  
14 wouldn't be so sprawled out. I think there could be  
15 two.

16                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Let me argue just a  
17 second, try draw two rural Congressional Districts.

18                   One of the two, necessarily, would either  
19 have to find its way into Pima County or Maricopa County  
20 in order to pick up sufficient population. Given that  
21 scenario, would you still be in favor?

22                   SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: The switch, where  
23 you go with that population, this, again, I believe  
24 would work, that is go into western Maricopa County,  
25 into the far rural areas of the county, predominantly

1 farming. I think that -- I think that would work.

2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Hauser.

3 MS. HAUSER: One of the areas that the  
4 Commission has heard a lot of testimony about is about  
5 the notion of what is rural. And it is interesting, as  
6 you travel around the state and hear testimony in  
7 various corners of the state, a lot of areas believe  
8 that they are rural. We've heard testimony, I think,  
9 from Yuma, that they consider themselves to be rural.  
10 And it almost seems as if there is a notion that  
11 anything that is not Maricopa and Pima is rural. And  
12 then there are, you know, other definitions of rural.  
13 And I wanted to get your thoughts on how you would  
14 define rural for purposes of rural districts.

15 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: I think the way I  
16 would define it is anything absent of the huge  
17 metropolitan areas of the state, the gigantic -- I have  
18 to admit, the great State of Maricopaa, that's how we  
19 refer to Maricopa County in terms of things we face that  
20 come down, come from there. And so, we often refer to  
21 that. I would say that what it is is those places that  
22 are absent of huge metropolitan areas. I don't know if  
23 that makes any sense or not.

24 MS. HAUSER: Let's follow up on that.  
25 What do you consider huge metropolitan? Obviously

1 Phoenix and Tucson. Anything Phoenix, Tucson and their  
2 bedroom communities you consider to fit within the rural  
3 definition?

4 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Yeah.

5 MS. HAUSER: Okay.

6 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: I do.

7 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Herrington,  
8 very much.

9 SUPERVISOR HERRINGTON: Yes.

10 (The following is the letter submitted by  
11 the Graham County Board of Supervisors:

12 "Arizona Independent Redistricting  
13 Commission, 1400 West Washington, Suite 10-B, Phoenix,  
14 Arizona, 85007.

15 "September 12, 2001.

16 "Members of the Commission,

17 "We as members of the Graham County Board  
18 of Supervisors wish to take this opportunity to thank  
19 you for all of the hard work and long hours that you  
20 have committed to the redistricting process for our  
21 state. We know that this has been at great personal  
22 sacrifice, and oftentimes subject to much criticism. We  
23 are sure that trying to please all the different  
24 factions and areas of a state as diverse as Arizona is a  
25 daunting task and appreciate the efforts that you have

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1 made.

2                    "In the initial faze (sic) of this process,  
3 we as a board presented a resolution that was  
4 unanimously passed by our board, asking for two  
5 different issues to be addressed. The first was that  
6 you consider a legislative district that includes  
7 Graham, Greenlee, Gila, and the southern half of Apache  
8 and Navajo counties. We are an area of the state that  
9 has a very strong community of interest in rural issues  
10 such as mining, agriculture, public lands issues, water,  
11 rural health care, economic development, and forest  
12 health. We were most pleased when our request was given  
13 consideration and implemented in your draft plan, which  
14 we now have before us. We would urge you to leave this  
15 district intact, and not be influenced by those  
16 interests, which would like to see us split up. We fear  
17 that in some instances, it may be people outside of our  
18 county, which would like to see this done for purely  
19 political reasons. We believe that this district gives  
20 Graham County the best opportunity for a voice in state  
21 government that it has had in many years. We are very  
22 happy with your proposal, and implore you not to change  
23 it in any way as it pertains to us as a County and a  
24 District.

25                    "The second issue that we addressed in our

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1 resolution was that we be represented in Congress by a  
2 truly rural Congressional district. Once again we are  
3 extremely pleased with the proposed Congressional  
4 district we have been included in, and see for the first  
5 time in recent history the opportunity to be represented  
6 by a truly rural congressman, who understands our  
7 issues, and feels a real need to be responsive to them.  
8 We urge you to keep this Congressional district intact,  
9 and give us that rural voice that we have wanted for so  
10 long.

11 "In conclusion, we would say again that we  
12 are very happy with the way you have drawn our  
13 districts, and we hope that you will withstand the  
14 effort to have us split up. We know that you can't  
15 please all the people all the time, but in this  
16 instance, we feel that you have truly listened to the  
17 vast majority of the people who live within our area,  
18 and we urge you not to be influenced by outside  
19 interests or those with a specific agenda or political  
20 interest, which are not necessarily best for the  
21 majority of our citizens. We unanimously support the  
22 current draft proposal as it pertains to Graham County  
23 and our legislative and Congressional districts. Once  
24 again thank you for your time and effort, and for  
25 considering our input in this most important process.

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1                    "Sincerely, Mark C. Herrington, James A.  
2 Palmer, Drew John. Graham County Board of  
3 Supervisors.")

4                    CHAIRMAN LYNN: Next speaker, Aida Lopez,  
5 Mayor of Clifton.

6                    Mayor Lopez.

7                    MAYOR LOPEZ: Good evening to everyone,  
8 the Commission and audience, members of the audience.

9                    I'm Aida, A I D A, Lopez, L O P E Z.

10                   Now I am going to say the opposite from  
11 what my fellow supervisor said. I am the Mayor of the  
12 town of Clifton. And I am just going to say what one of  
13 the Commissioners asked him a question awhile ago, "what  
14 is considered rural." Let me say what is considered  
15 rural. I just went to a conference, the Governor's  
16 rural conference in Rio Rico. The new director of the,  
17 what is it called --

18                   A VOICE: Department.

19                   MAYOR LOPEZ: Department of Commerce,  
20 first name Marjorie.

21                   MS. HAUSER: Marjorie Himmerman  
22 (phonetic).

23                   MAYOR LOPEZ: After I gave a speech  
24 myself, the town manager and I went up to introduce  
25 ourselves. And I said, "My name is Aida Lopez, and we

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1 are from the Town of Clifton." And she says, "Where is  
2 Clifton?" Ohh, and that is rural. Okay?

3 Now, have any of you been to Clifton?

4 MS. HAUSER: Yes.

5 MAYOR LOPEZ: Okay.

6 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Turn right at Morencie.

7 MAYOR LOPEZ: I'm against redistricting.

8 Our Council signed a resolution not to have our area  
9 redistricted.

10 My community is 61 percent Hispanic. We  
11 are very small town. Our population is about 2,600.

12 And being Hispanic myself, I feel that the way you are  
13 planning to do your redistricting is very, very large.

14 And you asked a question awhile ago: Do  
15 you feel one person could be a representative? Unless  
16 you had a superwoman or superman to fly around, back  
17 forth, then you could.

18 It's impossible for one person to go and  
19 be our representative. And I think you maybe are  
20 realizing that.

21 We have a lot in common with the way you  
22 have your map over there, that first one now.

23 We are a mining community. We grow  
24 cattle. We are also farming. So that map right there,  
25 the very first one, would be exactly what is needed to

1 us.

2                   We are, with the Mexico, we do have things  
3 in common with them. First of all, we have a huge  
4 Hispanic population. And I feel if you redistrict us  
5 like that, this person, whoever we elect, is going to  
6 come see us maybe once a year. Hopefully not. That's  
7 probably what will happen.

8                   You wanted to know what I liked or  
9 disliked. I listen to your questions.

10                   First of all, the huge area that you have  
11 given us, that's too large. We would like to be  
12 smaller. We feel if we are represented, we have a  
13 smaller redistricting area, both Legislative and  
14 Congressional, that we would be able to be seen more  
15 often by our representatives. We would be able to be --  
16 right now we're doing real good. We have a good  
17 rapport, whoever is representing us. If you redistrict  
18 us in that huge area, I don't think we'll have that good  
19 rapport. I am not favor of you redistricting Greenlee  
20 County or the Town of Clifton the way you've planned to  
21 do it. I wish you to reconsider it.

22                   Thank you.

23                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Hauser.

24                   MS. HAUSER: The -- I just wanted to  
25 clarify. The three maps on the wall presented to us in

1 Cochise County deal with Legislative.

2 MAYOR LOPEZ: Okay.

3 MS. HAUSER: As opposed to Congressional.  
4 Those would be way too small for Congressional  
5 Districts. So -- I guess my question is with respect to  
6 the Congressional District, have you seen a plan that  
7 you like better for your area?

8 MAYOR LOPEZ: For Congressional, I have  
9 not. I don't agree with the huge area you have here.  
10 First of all, you have us here in Northern Arizona.  
11 I've lived just about everywhere in Arizona. Nobody up  
12 in, let's say, the Teec Nas Pos area, I think you have  
13 us there for a Congressional District? Is that correct?

14 MS. HAUSER: Yes.

15 MAYOR LOPEZ: Nobody in Teec Nas Pos has  
16 any idea where Clifton is. I'm not saying we'd get a  
17 representative from that area. I lived in Kayenta for  
18 five years, Lutachukai, all those areas, all the way to  
19 Dolan Springs. I'm afraid this person you get to  
20 represent us will not be able to do it. We have so many  
21 different things, we don't have a lot of things in  
22 common.

23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.

24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Yes, Ms. Lopez.  
25 Would you prefer if we were reworking the Congressional

1 Districts to be moved to the south?

2 MAYOR LOPEZ: Yes. I definitely would  
3 like that.

4 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Because of mining,  
5 cattle, farming, and Hispanic relationships?

6 MAYOR LOPEZ: Yes. Exactly.

7 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Okay. Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mayor Lopez, thank you  
9 very much for being here.

10 MAYOR LOPEZ: Thank you for listening to  
11 me here.

12 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The next speaker, Tony  
13 Williams, Town Manager of Clifton.

14 MS. WILLIAMS: Tonya, T O N Y A, Williams,  
15 Town Manager of Clifton. I just kind of want to support  
16 what the Mayor says.

17 We interviewed a lot of citizens, our  
18 businesses, major business. We talked to people all  
19 over Cochise County and feel like we belong with them, a  
20 part of them. Much of our area migrated up from Bisbee,  
21 or Douglas, into Clifton, all into mining. Mining is  
22 important to us. It's our lifeline. And it needs all  
23 the help we can get. We feel like agriculture is  
24 supported by Cochise, Nogales, and the CaniMex plan. We  
25 would like stay with Cochise, stay this way, keep things

1 we have in common.

2 We're a primarily Hispanic population.

3 We'd like to stay a Hispanic population. They feel like

4 their voice will be lost if they have to move up north.

5 I guess that's mainly what I'm hearing

6 from our citizens.

7 Thank you.

8 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Ms. Williams.

9 Next speaker is Barbara Haralson.

10 Ms. Haralson.

11 MS. HARALSON: Thank you for coming to our

12 county and thank you for all the hard work you've done.

13 B A R B A R A, last name, H A R A L S O N.

14 I've been employed in agriculture here in

15 Graham County for the past, as manager of the gin for

16 the past 13 years. And prior to that, I worked at the

17 gin. I've been there 21 years. There is a major flux

18 in what will happen with agriculture. I believe that

19 one of the most important things about the Legislative

20 District is the economic center of the community. In

21 our case, in Graham County, probably 35 percent of the

22 economic impact is from agriculture. I believe that to

23 go north, we're going to lose some of that. We're going

24 to, as I look at the areas around Show Low, Pinetop, I

25 look at them as blooming tourist areas that probably

1 will be the center draw of this new district. I believe  
2 that we would become a fringe district. I believe that  
3 the road does not travel from the center to the outside  
4 in the same way it does around the center. I believe  
5 that we have had a good relationship with the SEAGO  
6 group and with Cochise County. We've had a very strong  
7 alliance with SEAGO. I think we've overlooked that in  
8 our discussions. In listening to Fred Fox and President  
9 Bush, I believe the border issues are going to become  
10 more and more important areas, especially with the fact  
11 we are agricultural.

12 I think we need the ability to impact that  
13 through representation.

14 When I think about where dollars are going  
15 to go in the new Legislative District, I think they are  
16 going to go to the center. We're not the center.

17 I believe when you talk about highway  
18 dollars, we're going to do that by Census counts, and  
19 what have you.

20 If I look at the number of cars that go  
21 down the road in Graham County as opposed to those that  
22 run between Show Low and Pinetop and Lakeside, I put my  
23 dollars there. I -- contrary to what others believe, I  
24 believe there is something to be said to have a county  
25 that has as much representation as we do in the state

1 Legislature. I believe they are all rural voices. I do  
2 not believe in being rural just for the sake of being  
3 rural.

4                   When it comes to the Congressional  
5 District back here, I agree with Mark Herrington. I  
6 believes it needs to be split. I do not believe anybody  
7 could conceivably represent all the counties outlined in  
8 one district.

9                   Thank you very much.

10                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Ms. Haralson, just one  
11 question. As Supervisor Herrington said earlier, EACO  
12 has unanimous support from the elected officials of the  
13 counties and many municipal officials in the region for  
14 that area to stay together. Do you have a sense that  
15 whereas the elected officials may have one point of view  
16 that point of view is not unanimously shared or even  
17 widely shared with the people who live in those areas?

18                   MS. HARALSON: It would be hard for me to  
19 say how other people feel. I know people I've spoken  
20 with within our current district feel the same way as I  
21 do regarding the splitting up of the SEAGO group, the  
22 splitting up of Cochise County, Graham, and Greenlee.  
23 As far as being able to represent those people, I'd hate  
24 say I did.

25                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Doug Hoopes, member of the

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1 City Council of Thatcher.

2 Mr. Hoopes.

3 COUNCILMAN HOOPES: Commission, audience,  
4 I'm representing the City of Thatcher. I have a letter  
5 from the Mayor.

6 I'm Doug Hoopes, Thatcher, City of  
7 Thatcher. I have a letter from the Mayor he's written  
8 in support for this, this program you worked hard and  
9 diligently for. I was born and raised in Thatcher. For  
10 a few years I lived in Clifton, Morencie, working at  
11 Phelps Dodge for 28 years. I don't look that old, do I?

12 MS. HAUSER: No.

13 COUNCILMAN HOOPES: I'm retired out of  
14 there a few years ago. I -- I want you to know I  
15 support this group of going north.

16 I -- I've been around in this community  
17 long enough to see the gerrymandering that has gone on  
18 for years, and our representation not being held. I  
19 personally feel we've not been represented. Right here  
20 in the City of Thatcher we have probably two or three  
21 districts, Commission districts, dividing, probably  
22 Safford, too. I think it's time to become one in this  
23 group.

24 I appreciate your efforts and what you've  
25 done.

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1                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Hoopes,  
2 very much.

3                   (The following letter was submitted by  
4 Charles M. Morris, Mayor of Thatcher, Arizona:

5                   "September 11, 2001. Independent  
6 Redistricting Commission, 1400 West Washington, Suite  
7 10-B, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007.

8                   "Dear Sirs;

9                   "I would like to commend the Commission on  
10 their efforts to be fair and equitable in the  
11 redistricting efforts for the State of Arizona. I have  
12 looked over the information that was sent to me and feel  
13 that you have done a magnificent job in setting up the  
14 Congressional and state Legislative districts.

15                   "I would like to thank you for allowing  
16 Graham County and more specifically the Town of Thatcher  
17 to stay completely in one district. We have felt for  
18 some time that we have had little or no representation  
19 in government. I would also like to express my  
20 appreciation that Graham County has been included with  
21 other rural counties that have common interests. I feel  
22 that this will give us more of a voice in the affairs  
23 that affect our area. I would urge you to go forward  
24 with the current redistricting proposal as it now  
25 stands. I know that there will always be other voices

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1 and concerns that will not be happy with the results,  
2 but, as for the citizens of the Town of Thatcher and as  
3 a citizen of Graham County, I would ask that the  
4 Commission leave the division of the State of Arizona as  
5 it is.

6 "Thank you for your interest in our great  
7 state and listening to our needs and desires.

8 "Respectfully, Charles M. Morris, Mayor,  
9 Town of Thatcher, Arizona.")

10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The next speaker is Paul  
11 Brierley.

12 Mr. Brierley.

13 MR. BRIERLEY: Paul Brierley,  
14 B R I E R L E Y. First name Paul.

15 I appreciate you guys coming out and  
16 getting our input. You may remember last time, I said  
17 that I felt if you kept our county split up the way it  
18 was, you would have failed in your mandate. I want you  
19 to know I like what you like you did. I like that you  
20 kept us together as a county. That to me was the most  
21 important thing. I don't come with a particularly  
22 strong voice, or anything else, tonight, except to me  
23 that was essential that we be grouped as a community. I  
24 appreciate that.

25 I felt from the beginning, I wish that the

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1 original grid, which was just, you know, basically, a  
2 statistical thing with no favoritism to other issues, I  
3 wish we just stay with that. Here's equal populations.  
4 Forget all the other stuff.

5                   If you live here, that's where you are  
6 represented. It's a shame we can't. I realize you are  
7 under a lot of constraints. Having said that, I believe  
8 the far left scenario, number two, is what came out of  
9 the grid, if I'm not mistaken. I liked it then. I  
10 still like it now. I feel like we have a lot -- I come  
11 from an agricultural community, also.

12                   As far as my, what is your term for it,  
13 community of interest, as far as customers, people I  
14 work with, whatnot, we have more in common with the  
15 Cochise County area. I don't have anything against the  
16 northern area. Don't have much to do with them.

17                   The other thing I like, and I'm not -- I  
18 can't tell for sure from that map. It looks like maybe  
19 I'm wrong, but that the Indian communities of San  
20 Carlos, and whatnot, are separated. Just -- just as a  
21 matter of reality, for someone to try to represent both  
22 Indian communities, with them suing us for water, it is  
23 a pretty impossible thing, I think. So I like that  
24 aspect, also.

25                   The only other comment I had, it looks

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1 like you're trying to fix it, what happened with Cochise  
2 County. It looked like a travesty. And I hope you are  
3 able to fix that.

4 Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you very much,  
6 Mr. Brierley.

7 COMMISSIONER HALL: For the record,  
8 Mr. Brierley, the Native American communities are  
9 included in the scenario you represented.

10 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The next speaker is  
11 Phillip Hogue.

12 Mr. Hogue?

13 MR. HOGUE: Thank you very much,  
14 Mr. Chairman.

15 I'm Phillip Hogue. I'm a land owner in  
16 the Bouie (phonetic) area. I live in the Willcox area.  
17 I appreciate the opportunity to speak before you  
18 tonight. I was unable to speak when you met in Cochise  
19 County.

20 I have a problem with the way it has been  
21 drawn. Cochise County is a rural county. I'll clarify  
22 my opinion of what a rural area is: anything other than  
23 a major metropolitan area.

24 Cochise County now has a small  
25 metropolitan area blooming. That's Sierra Vista. Casa

1 Grande is the next metropolitan area. Chandler, Tempe,  
2 and those urban areas are metropolitan areas. When you  
3 have rural areas where a portion of that is agriculture,  
4 light industry, and ranching, that is rural. The way  
5 the map is drawn now that you have proposed, it does  
6 separate Cochise County from Graham County, the  
7 traditional guidelines. We do share agriculture. Part  
8 of Cochise's biggest industry is agriculture, along with  
9 manufacturing.

10                   What bothers me more is the redistricting  
11 has taken out what we consider our metropolitan area for  
12 Cochise County. Sierra Vista is now over with Tucson.  
13 That makes no sense to me whatsoever.

14                   I know there is a big population there.  
15 That's still Cochise County. If you bring the line way  
16 down and suck it up into the area, it does not make  
17 sense.

18                   I prefer scenario number two. It's  
19 similar to what we have now. It is truly a rural area.

20                   Something you said, that did include  
21 Native American Tribe? Is that true, it does include  
22 the San Carlos?

23                   MS. HAUSER: No.

24                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: That's south.

25                   MR. HOGUE: Looked to me to be south.

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1                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: That's Legislative.  
2 Doesn't include. That option does not include.

3                   MR. HOGUE: What Mr. Brierley said are my  
4 sentiments as well. They are suing us for our water in  
5 Cochise County. My farm is in a tributary to the Gila  
6 River. In my opinion, it will be only a short time, if  
7 they win here, they'll continue on up to Bouie  
8 (phonetic) and Sansimo (phonetic). I don't feel my  
9 representation, someone representing both, is just. And  
10 that's been quite evident by the Department of  
11 Interior's actions here in Gila County.

12                   On the Congressional side, I agree with  
13 some of the comments that it's too big. Now we're  
14 lumped in with Tucson and Pima County on one side. Pima  
15 County does have two Congressional Districts. I believe  
16 they only should have one. I agree with Mr. Herrington.  
17 I've known Mr. Herrington for 25 years, have served with  
18 him on some other committees. I think there should be  
19 two rural districts. Two on portions of Tucson one  
20 district, take the loop around, go into Maricopa, pick  
21 up parts of Pinal County. Debating on whether to  
22 include Casa Grande in the metropolitan area. Whether  
23 growing slowly, rapidly.

24                   Rural area, Pinal County is agriculture.  
25 Yuma, it's a big agricultural community. Maricopa is

1 big agriculture. You can probably guess I'm  
2 agriculture. It makes more sense to have a Legislative  
3 District like that.

4 I appreciate the hard work. You've been  
5 given a yeoman's task to try to come up with different  
6 plans. I know you can punch it 13, 14 different ways  
7 and have thousands of different potential maps, but this  
8 is a traditional rural area. We have rural values. And  
9 we, in rural areas, today, and in the future, are going  
10 to be struggling as far as bringing voices to our  
11 counties and to our areas.

12 I am not sure how many know what the  
13 situation is for agriculture in the State of Arizona.  
14 It is not good, just not it's not good in the rest of  
15 the country. These areas are in a little tougher shape  
16 than some other areas because they are closer to markets  
17 than others.

18 I appreciate the opportunity to speak to  
19 you.

20 If you have any questions, I'm glad to  
21 speak and answer them.

22 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Hogue.

23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Next speaker is David  
24 Newlin.

25 Mr. Newlin.

1                   MR. NEWLIN: Good evening, Mr. Chairman,  
2 Commissioners.

3                   I'm David Newlin, Town Manager of Duncan,  
4 Arizona, a rural town in southern Greenlee County.

5                   David, Newlin, N E W L I N.

6                   I'm here as the Town Council are all  
7 working. Chairman Stacy (phonetic) is working.  
8 Chairman Stacy and the Town Council all concur in the  
9 same comments, that is we like things the way they are.

10                  I don't know what we're going to do to  
11 solve the problem of the agricultural interests. My  
12 definition of agriculture means people are spread out.  
13 You can't put people together if they're not close. I  
14 don't know how you would divide up the Congressional  
15 District. We regret very much the probability we'll  
16 lose Congressman J.D. Hayworth. He's been an eloquent  
17 spokesman for our interests. Such is life.

18                  We like the Legislative District as it is.

19                  I'm a fourth-generation Arizonan born and  
20 raised in Tucson. As much of the people of Cochise  
21 County, I feel a little frustrated with it in the  
22 orientation more toward Tucson. Sierra would like to  
23 become Tucson in many ways, in talking with them on  
24 occasion. There is becoming more growth in Cochise than  
25 than other areas of SEAGO. The area values, things we

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1 share in the southern parts of Navajo, Apache County,  
2 fit better with what we do. Those are the things my  
3 Council asked me say to you.

4 I'd be glad to answer any questions.

5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Mr. Elder.

6 COMMISSIONER ELDER: So I understand  
7 right, you were saying SEAGO no, EACO yes?

8 MR. NEWLIN: We like the SEAGO  
9 organization. For the Congressional and Legislative  
10 Districts, it won't have any difference on how that  
11 organization functions.

12 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Newlin,  
14 very much.

15 Next speaker, Joe Miranda (sic) from the  
16 Town of Hayden.

17 Mr. Miranda.

18 MAYOR ARANDA: Good evening, ladies and  
19 gentlemen of the Redistricting Office.

20 First, to correct, I thought we were  
21 rural. I know Hayden is rural. But then to correct  
22 pronunciation, it's Aranda, A R A N D A.

23 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Middle initial M. I  
24 apologize.

25 MAYOR ARANDA: To give you an idea of how

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1 rural Hayden is, here you go and tore up my name.

2 That's okay.

3 CHAIRMAN LYNN: I'd have torn it up if in  
4 Tucson, Mr. Aranda. Bad reading on my part.

5 MAYOR ARANDA: Nonpartisan, that's the way  
6 you guys are supposed to be. That's okay as far as  
7 Congressional Districts. The Town of Hayden, as it is  
8 right now, we're -- we're in District L D6. And we  
9 are -- have a Representative out of, I think it's north  
10 Scottsdale, whose pretty much a dinosaur to us. It's  
11 very rare we get any type of representation from him,  
12 although I have contacted some of his staff and they  
13 seem to be a little responsive, anyway.

14 But as you see this map here, this, what I  
15 have, what I have here, you know, it's cute, nice and  
16 pink, but it's too big. As it is, you are giving this  
17 person more area than what he or she has right now. In  
18 this case, what he has right now, you are running us,  
19 Hayden is a small mining community, under 1,000. We  
20 took a horrendous loss in the Census. We went from 910  
21 to 892, lost, from 910, 910 to 872; and as it is, the  
22 mining industry, that's our only, it's our livelihood.  
23 And that is -- right now it's in the dumps, the copper  
24 industry. Plus we took the hit from the Census. There  
25 have been layoffs, and they haven't replaced people, and

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1 retirement, attrition. They don't replace people. We  
2 lost people with the Census. We took a tremendous hit,  
3 which means there are less monies to us as far as state  
4 monies, federal monies, highway monies. The -- it's  
5 just a tremendous impact on us. And like -- as far as  
6 Congressional Districts, to give us an idea, you,  
7 yourself, scheduled, I think, 12 meetings, in this  
8 district, that you are proposing, this Legislative  
9 District.

10                   So that should give you an idea of -- you  
11 are going all way from Bullhead City to the Graham  
12 Cochise County line. That in itself should give you an  
13 idea of how big an area you are looking at.

14                   What would I have in common? What  
15 community of interest would I have with somebody in  
16 Mohave County? There just isn't. As it is, it creeps  
17 along, takes up some of Northeastern Maricopa County.  
18 There might be a few Hispanics in there, but even there,  
19 as far as a community of interest, I have none with  
20 those, outside of the same heritage. And, therefore,  
21 this is just too -- it was suggested a couple times  
22 earlier by some speakers to divide up this Legislative  
23 District, this C. And that -- I can wholeheartedly  
24 support that. There's just no way that this person  
25 would be able to come out to my part of the county, my

1 part of that district. He or should would have a hard  
2 time representing us. We would never have an  
3 opportunity to have some representation from our part of  
4 this Congressional District, as is proposed, because the  
5 population centers, of course, are away from there. It  
6 would make maybe more sense to take in, part of, as is  
7 suggested, maybe pushing us up more towards the Globe  
8 Miami area, some Hispanic population, plus some mining  
9 there, some agriculture around Hayden, but -- and then  
10 grouping us in with -- probably with Pinal County in  
11 District G, maybe, would be a consideration.

12 I know we had passed a resolution before  
13 our Council. As far as Legislative Districts, we  
14 requested to remain in the Pinal County District, which  
15 was presently, it's Legislative District Seven. You  
16 know, you have us, moved us again into what you call E  
17 as far as Legislative District.

18 Again, yeah, we have some commonalty with  
19 the Globe Miami area as far as the Heritage Mining  
20 District. I think we have more in common with Pinal  
21 County, which I think you call it, what is it, Y, I  
22 guess, the Mammoth, San Manuel area, I believe.

23 As far as Legislative Districts, we'd be  
24 grouped in, I don't have anything against Eastern  
25 Arizona. I have relatives off here. My dad was born in

1 Solomonville, which as I understand doesn't exist.  
2 Relatives here are east of Safford. I have nothing  
3 against it, but this Legislative District, every  
4 attempt, as you see it there, we're on the southern tip  
5 of Gila County there. There wouldn't be anything in our  
6 resolution that mentioned staying in District Seven. As  
7 a matter of fact, the incumbent there lives a couple  
8 miles from me. So we have some representation.

9                   We do have an opportunity, the way it  
10 exists now, to be represented. Two House members, one  
11 in Mammoth, one in Kearny. We have an opportunity to be  
12 represented. As it is here, being put into District E,  
13 you know, our representation goes away, which is  
14 basically, my argument about, as far as having --  
15 retaining some representation in Congressional, it's too  
16 big, too cumbersome. We're in in Congressional District  
17 C, very disenfranchised from communities of interest,  
18 the mining, Hispanics, some agricultural. We would be  
19 just, period, just disenfranchised, more so than we are  
20 now.

21                   Now we have an opportunity, the way they  
22 exist now. I understand they can't stay that way. But  
23 at least now we have some representation. But given  
24 these, the way I see it in front of them, we'd be very  
25 disenfranchised, separated from communities of interest

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1 and our heritage.

2                   You know, let me say, I appreciate, in  
3 closing, don't want to go on too long, in closing, since  
4 fellow my fellow Mayors, and so forth, took a short  
5 time, I don't want to break their streak, I would like  
6 to say thank you for your diligence and work. I know  
7 what it is to -- this can be very difficult. But yet,  
8 you know, I have to represent my constituents. And 892  
9 are just as important as the middle of Maricopa County  
10 or Pima County.

11                   Do you have any questions for me?

12                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you.

13                   Ms. Hauser.

14                   MS. HAUSER: I just need to clarify  
15 something. I may be confused about what you said.

16                   Our draft, the Commission's draft, has,  
17 I'm talking about the Legislative right now, has Hayden  
18 in proposed Legislative District W, which is that sort  
19 of long diagonal-shaped district that goes all the way  
20 down to Douglas, I think. That's where Hayden is.

21                   MAYOR ARANDA: I'm looking at this one.

22                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: Uh-huh.

23                   MAYOR ARANDA: I'm looking that. It's in

24 E.

25                   MS. HAUSER: It's barely in W. It is.

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1 It's just over the -- it's just over the line.

2 Actually, if we have --

3 Does anyone have the smaller map?

4 Actually, I just want to show him.

5 MS. HAUSER: Mr. Aranda, Dr. Adams is  
6 going to show you.

7 MAYOR ARANDA: I believe you.

8 MS. HAUSER: The reason I want to clarify  
9 it for you, this district you are currently in has been  
10 soundly criticized. And --

11 MR. ARANDA: Go ahead.

12 MS. HAUSER: That District W, the long  
13 one, has been criticized. The Commissioners have said  
14 they intend to change that district quite a bit. I  
15 wanted to get your comments on -- now, assuming, knowing  
16 you are in the current draft W instead of E, if W were  
17 to change significantly, for example something similar  
18 to like one of the three on the wall, the three  
19 presented in Cochise County, I'm not saying those are  
20 what it's going to be, or any other kind of district,  
21 what would you prefer?

22 MAYOR ARANDA: Let me say.

23 MS. HAUSER: They are in W.

24 COMMISSIONER ELDER: I don't know what you  
25 are asking even.

1                   MAYOR ARANDA: Seemed like in E to me.  
2                   In that case, then my arguments are still  
3 the same.  
4                   MS. HAUSER: Okay.  
5                   MAYOR ARANDA: W is a little better than  
6 E. If we had been in E, a little better. Overall, the  
7 arguments are still against us being in W. Now you are  
8 placing us more into Maricopa County in W.  
9                   MS. HAUSER: No matter what, you would  
10 rather be with Pinal?  
11                   MAYOR ARANDA: Yeah. I have to say the  
12 Council did pass a resolution, and --  
13                   MS. HAUSER: Okay.  
14                   MAYOR ARANDA: But we're getting into  
15 Maricopa County, the northeastern edge of Maricopa  
16 County. My complaints would be the same that while we  
17 have, I have nothing against Cochise County, either.  
18 I -- there's still communities of interest that are more  
19 closely related to us being in what would be Pinal  
20 County, or Y, I guess. Am I doing that right? Y? Even  
21 though doing -- we have a couple Native Americans in our  
22 town, but -- but the main complaint would be to us, we  
23 would be grouped into Maricopa County, whether  
24 northeastern Maricopa County, and south, looks like  
25 southern Maricopa County. That's more heavily

1 agricultural than we are. There isn't much mining.  
2 While there is some mining in Cochise County, a lot of  
3 it is nonexistent. We have more of a community of  
4 interest with Pinal County where we were in Legislative  
5 District Seven.

6 MS. HAUSER: Thank you.

7 MAYOR ARANDA: Sorry I misinterpreted  
8 that. It's a long drive out here.

9 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Next speaker is Jim  
10 Palmer, Supervisor of Graham County.

11 Mr. Palmer.

12 SUPERVISOR PALMER: Mr. Chairman, members  
13 of the Commission, I'm Jim Palmer, P A L M E R.

14 A couple things need to be addressed.

15 Population center, Congressional  
16 Districts, Legislative Districts represent.

17 Our concern is being pushed into this  
18 southern proposal is that we have fears being completely  
19 ignored the likes of Sierra, Douglas, very large areas,  
20 quite honestly swallow us up not even realize we're  
21 there.

22 When we look at the current draft  
23 proposal, we see a group of communities of interest, all  
24 of similar size and population.

25 If you take Gila Valley as an area that

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1 compare to the Globe Miami area, or communities in the  
2 White Mountains area, see very similar populations, very  
3 similar kinds of communities very rural interests, I  
4 think it's important that, in that scenario, we feel  
5 like Graham County be represented, listened to, heard.  
6 Our voice is as important as any other area within that  
7 Legislative District, unlike if thrown in Sierra Vista.  
8 We're a very, very small minority compared with the  
9 large population of Sierra Vista.

10 Another thing I think needs to be  
11 addressed, and that is that it's been referred to  
12 several times that one of the communities of interest is  
13 mining issues.

14 I think when you truly look at the draft  
15 proposal that you currently have, you link two of the  
16 most important mining communities in this state  
17 together, the Globe Miami area, Morencie area, don't see  
18 any gain going south, two communities linked with a  
19 common employer, common interest, a very strong mining  
20 background.

21 Talked about agricultural issues, a hard  
22 drive across Southern Apache County, a hard drive across  
23 the vast areas of Gila County, Graham County, and  
24 Greenlee County. Most Navajo County, without realizing  
25 all very agriculturally oriented, whether grazing,

1 production of crops, certainly one of the most important  
2 issues in communities of interest.

3                   Another thing that perhaps should be  
4 addressed, that's competitiveness within that district  
5 as presently proposed. I don't see any particular  
6 political interest in really gaining a strong dominant  
7 hold there. A very competitive district, where I  
8 realize this is not primary goal, it is nonetheless I  
9 think an important goal where I think that district  
10 would be very competitive. Both political parties were  
11 a very good opportunity to be represented within the  
12 district. The finally elected representatives, those  
13 five counties, from the majority, I understand not every  
14 city, majority, municipalities within the district  
15 passed the resolutions, correspondence and letters  
16 supporting that. I think it's important to let the  
17 folks live within the areas, determine a designee, not  
18 someone that lives outside the area that wants us for  
19 other reasons. This is where we'd like to be.

20                   Finally, let me just comment on the  
21 Congressional District. While I understand the  
22 challenges posed by the large land mass, by the nature  
23 of being a completely rural district, it is going to be  
24 a large land mass whichever way you draw it. While I  
25 understand, certainly, the challenges that will be

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1 faced, when I way that against being represented by  
2 someone from the Phoenix area, or the Tucson area, I'll  
3 take the large land mass anyway.

4                   While it may be difficult, we live in a  
5 time and area where travel is not that difficult. It's  
6 not that hard to get across the State of Arizona. It  
7 can be done within part of a day. You can get anywhere  
8 in this state. By air, it can be done in a matter of an  
9 hour or two. I don't see that as an insurmountable  
10 obstacle.

11                   While dicey, the only other option I see  
12 is to slice pieces of rural Arizona into Phoenix and  
13 Tucson, and suddenly we've lost our representation being  
14 rural.

15                   I would wholeheartedly support the present  
16 Congressional District, albeit a large one. I think it  
17 serves us well, which I think is important to the area.

18                   I thank you for being here tonight, thank  
19 you for the work you've done, and thank you for allowing  
20 me to comment.

21                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Palmer.  
22                   Mr. Elder.

23                   COMMISSIONER ELDER: Yes, Mr. Palmer.

24                   I'd like to get an idea, when you say  
25 slice the rural area, if we had to rework that

1 Congressional District, possibly for size, possibly for  
2 other issues, what percentage of urban influence would  
3 you feel would be appropriate or would not take away the  
4 rural flavor? In other words, if we had to go into  
5 Maricopa County, 10 percent, 20 percent, 30 percent?  
6 Where would you cut line? Or Pima or whatever?

7 SUPERVISOR PALMER: I'd have it held at 20  
8 percent or less, it would still be held with a  
9 predominantly rural flavor and have an opportunity for  
10 rural folks to truly be -- elect a representative from  
11 one of them. But I still think it's good the way you  
12 have it. While big, with the present challenges, I want  
13 to go on record supporting it wholeheartedly.

14 COMMISSIONER ELDER: Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Palmer,  
16 very much.

17 Don Stacey, Supervisor for Greenlee  
18 County.

19 Mr. Stacey.

20 SUPERVISOR STACEY: Thank you,  
21 Mr. Chairman and Commissioners. My name is Don Stacey,  
22 Supervisor of Greenlee County.

23 I think when asked to speak here tonight  
24 on behalf of the Board, I think the main thing she  
25 wanted me to emphasize is issues, Greenlee County

1 issues, which are very important.

2 Over the last decade, we have joined  
3 several organizations, EACO, the Arizona New Mexico  
4 Coalition, and we didn't join these coalitions and  
5 organizations because we enjoy belonging to more  
6 organizations. We joined them because our issues are  
7 very closely tied. We have formed no new organizations  
8 with the -- our folks from the south, although we have a  
9 lot in common with them. SEAGO handles much of that. I  
10 don't think that area will be disturbed.

11 When you look at mining, as the  
12 supervisors from Graham County just spoke about, you  
13 traveled through Globe, Miami, I think the name of  
14 Phelps Dodge is very prevalent throughout that county,  
15 and also in Graham County. I understand that mines may  
16 be opening in the future when things look better.

17 Public land issues are very big for  
18 Greenlee County. We're just about, I can't remember the  
19 exact percentage, 97 percent public lands. We look at  
20 Apache County, Gila County, it's the same issue: public  
21 lands.

22 Cattle mining, cattle, ranching are  
23 present in all counties. And Graham County, there are  
24 water issues along Gila River.

25 And with the present litigation going on,

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1 Gila River flows through Greenlee County, Graham County,  
2 Gila County.

3                   So all these issues we have in common.  
4 I'm not going to take a lot of your time in restating  
5 the same things that the Graham County Supervisors did.  
6 But as far as the Board is concerned, when issues come  
7 up, we're constantly communicating with Apache County,  
8 Gila County, and Graham County.

9                   Again, the issues: Commonalty between  
10 counties. That's what is important to us. And those  
11 economic issues we talk about at EACO, the Arizona  
12 Mexico Coalition, they are very important to all of us.  
13 And that's our livelihood.

14                   I wanted to thank you for the time.

15                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Stacey.

16                   SUPERVISOR STACEY: Do you have any  
17 questions?

18                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you very much.

19                   I have two speaker slips remaining. If  
20 you wish to speak and have not turned one in, please do  
21 so as soon as you are able. Staff will take one, if you  
22 hold it up, and get it in the cue.

23                   The next speaker is Jeanne Udall, Apache  
24 County Recorder.

25                   Ms. Udall.

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1 MS. UDALL: Thank you, Commissioners.

2 Not like the last speaker, I am an elected  
3 official. I love to talk. I am going to reiterate  
4 every single point, every detail said tonight. The  
5 Commissioners do not look one bit worried. I said I'd  
6 hold my comments to a minute, let me give you my issues,  
7 and go home, drive back to Eager tonight. They said  
8 "Oh, I wish everybody would do that."

9 Anyway, I am immensely pleased with the  
10 Arizona Units of Representation called District E in the  
11 latest draft you have up here. And I wanted to repeat  
12 again that the EACO organization, Eastern Arizona  
13 Counties Organization, includes Gila, Graham, Greenlee,  
14 and the southern part of Apache County and southern part  
15 of Navajo County.

16 And something I would like to point out  
17 tonight, there was a concern that the Show Low Lakeside  
18 area might dominate what is going on there. However,  
19 there is a huge amount of rural communities and people  
20 surrounding that area.

21 The Pinetop, Lakeside, Show Low area is  
22 primarily a tourist area with many, many summer homes,  
23 people only there for a short period of time, and  
24 probably are voting in many other places.

25 Now, again, each Board of Supervisors of

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1 these counties, many of the elected officials, most of  
2 the Mayors and City Council members, have supported this  
3 District E you see up here. My sister recorders in  
4 these five counties have also written to you  
5 Commissioners with their support. But the driving  
6 thought that is pulling this area together, is that  
7 through EACO, they are already functioning, working,  
8 cooperating together.

9           And it was asked how the elected officials  
10 felt. I believe that was asked or said, and if they  
11 would be representing the people in this view of wanting  
12 to remain together, remain united in this area. So I  
13 would like to point out, maybe redundantly so, the  
14 elected officials are elected by these groups. There's  
15 not one single elected official in that area that does  
16 not represent the population that is there as this group  
17 has worked together, I believe, about 10 years.  
18 Everybody is being represented by their elected  
19 representatives.

20           Another point, District E as I've seen,  
21 especially here tonight, fits the criteria set forth in  
22 Proposition 106 probably more so than most other  
23 districts, or many other districts.

24           Another thing might be pointed out. As  
25 cities and towns speak here this evening, the more

1 centralized individual groups they're speaking for, of  
2 course, themselves, and their own individual communities  
3 of interest. But this district by it's very nature,  
4 being a Legislative District, has an outreach, or an  
5 outward reaching, it is an outward-reaching group,  
6 striving to serve the needs of the whole.

7                   So I strongly support and ask you to  
8 support this District E as you have drawn it.

9                   Thank you.

10                  CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Ms. Udall.

11                  The next speaker, Sue Hall, Clerk of the  
12 Superior Court, Apache County.

13                  Ms. Hall.

14                  COMMISSIONER HALL: Thank you,  
15 Mr. Chairman. Let me first start off saying thank you  
16 for all your sacrifice, the time you've put forward in  
17 this redistricting effort. It's not been an easy  
18 effort, I know. I appreciate that.

19                  I wanted to say I am in support of the  
20 current Legislative District draft map that you have for  
21 District E. I feel that it represents our interests in  
22 Southern Apache County, Southern Navajo County,  
23 Greenlee, Graham, and Gila.

24                  In working with my other clerks of the  
25 court throughout the state, those of us in these

1 counties mentioned we seem to have similar problems and  
2 similar hurdles that we have to overcome. Some of those  
3 are shrinking budgets and growing population bases, and  
4 with that, then, we have to make do with less. When we  
5 go to funding sources, we are all faced with the same  
6 types of problems. And so we have worked very closely  
7 together to become a more organized unit. And we call  
8 each other and find out how did you overcome this  
9 problem? That seems to have worked for us.

10 I'd like to see that you keep those  
11 counties represented in District C, or District E, as a  
12 Legislative District.

13 I have a personal commitment to this,  
14 because I feel that -- I know of the families that are  
15 related to one another from the Eager, Springerville  
16 area. I have relatives in Safford, Thatcher. There is  
17 a lot of travel between the areas common interests there  
18 and we'd like to see us kept together.

19 As far as the Congressional District, it  
20 is a large, rural district. Those of us who live in  
21 rural Arizona are used to traveling long distances to  
22 get from one part of our county to the other. In Apache  
23 County, Jeanne Udall and myself represent the entire  
24 county. It takes four hours to get from one end of the  
25 county to get to our voting constituents. We're used to

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1 that. With that, it's very important that you have  
2 given us rural representation, even though the area is  
3 very large.

4 I appreciate those efforts. Thank you.

5 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Ms. Hall.

6 The next speaker is Ted Poelstra. I have  
7 one additional speaker slip from Gary Griffith following  
8 Mr. Poelstra. Those are the last two slips I have.

9 MR. POELSTRA: Good evening. I am Ted  
10 Poelstra. I am a lobbyist in the legislature. And I  
11 represent myself this evening.

12 P O E L S T R A.

13 I'd like to go back and tell you a moment  
14 about an observation I had many years ago of the Navajo  
15 Hopi settlement. In the three days that I witnessed  
16 this situation, it was like watching Palestine and  
17 Israel at war. We don't need that in this state.  
18 Communities of interest should be the primary goal of  
19 setting up Legislative Districts. And the same thing is  
20 true in this area.

21 When you look at the growth patterns that  
22 are ongoing and what the growth patterns have been since  
23 the last Census, the western counties of this state are  
24 going to have probably the greatest growth and be  
25 completely out of balance in the next five years, just

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1 as Maricopa County Legislative Districts will be out of  
2 balance in a very short period of time. I think the  
3 growth patterns really reflect what we should be looking  
4 at in not making these districts hold to a flat number  
5 of trying to balance population. It is creating for the  
6 future a real problem, and especially for the rural area  
7 that does not have the growth.

8                   If you really go to the community of  
9 interest, in the Legislative and the Congressional  
10 Districts, you will have a much better representation by  
11 the legislators and can do a much more equal job in  
12 representing their districts, even in the rural areas  
13 that have the smallest number of real representatives in  
14 the state.

15                   There will always be safe districts with  
16 the six goals of redistricting of Prop 106. Making  
17 competitive districts at the expense of the other goals  
18 would make the districts appear as branches cut off from  
19 a tree. And I don't think that is your intention. But  
20 please review the growth patterns. And please look at  
21 the true representation of a community of interest over  
22 the other goals that are set by Prop 106.

23                   I thank you. And I truly admire and  
24 respect the services you are performing for the state.

25                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Poelstra.

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1                   One quick question about growth areas. As  
2 you know, we've had some comments about that, areas that  
3 have experienced extreme growth. Western areas, Pinal  
4 had terrific growth in the last 10 years. The  
5 difficulty is that the constraint on us is to come in as  
6 fairly equal in population as practicable. That's one  
7 of the requirements of 106. We don't have lot of leeway  
8 in that. So we can't take the growth potential for any  
9 area into account in a way that would make a large  
10 deviation in population going in. However, we may have  
11 an opportunity to mix and match, if you will, areas of  
12 high growth with areas of more stabile growth so as to  
13 balance the growth in those areas in some ways.

14                   Given those choices, and the constraints,  
15 does the second alternative meet your concerns?

16                   MR. POELSTRA: It will do a better job in  
17 representation for the areas. But you are going to get  
18 some imbalance in the community of interest when you do  
19 this.

20                   I think that the Justice Department has  
21 reviewed these processes in the past and will give  
22 consideration as they have in other redistricting years  
23 to having a small percentage of imbalance in the  
24 population numbers. And I would hope that you would  
25 look at that, and the past history of what the Justice

1 Department has done, before you finalize these issues.

2 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Just to clarify that  
3 issue, the Justice Department will not make a  
4 determination on population. It will make a  
5 determination on other things, minority representation,  
6 retrogression, other issues on the Voting Rights Act.  
7 Where we get a challenge is a lawsuit issue on the one  
8 person one vote case law which held there may be room  
9 for variation. 106 is relatively clear in terms of  
10 raising the anty insofar as trying be as close to equal  
11 population as possible.

12 We don't have a DOJ problem in terms of a  
13 suit, that someone felt a misalignment of  
14 representation. That's the concern. But thank you.

15 MR. POELSTRA: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN LYNN: The last speaker slip I  
17 have, Gary Griffith.

18 Mr. Griffith.

19 MR. GRIFFITH: Thank you.

20 Gary Griffith. I'm an attorney in  
21 Safford. I'm just representing myself, I guess.

22 I wanted to direct my comments to the  
23 Congressional District in District C. I think you've  
24 done a very good job on this. I recall the original  
25 draft that was done kind of split the area into two, had

1 to majority type rural districts. That was fine as  
2 well. I like this better. It really does take into  
3 account the fact there are rural issues that need  
4 representation in Congress on.

5 I think large is fine. Not a problem. I  
6 don't think the people understand what you're talking  
7 about, necessarily, when saying it's a pretty big  
8 district. It really isn't when you compare it with  
9 other western states. The western states are large  
10 Congressional states. Imagine Don Young in Alaska.  
11 Imagine Barbara Cuben (phonetic) from Wyoming. This is  
12 pretty small. True, it takes awhile to get to Kingman.  
13 People from Kingman have a lot in common with us.  
14 Safford is completely surrounded by B.L.M. land. People  
15 in Kingman are surrounded by B.L.M. land. A Congressman  
16 that represents Safford and a Congressman that  
17 represents Kingman, he can represent both very well  
18 fighting with the B.L.M.

19 I think a lot of rural type issues will be  
20 better represented by this district.

21 Many, like the fact Northern Pinal is in  
22 this district. The choice of the south hookup, Tucson  
23 like it used to be, I like what you've done. Areas of  
24 Hayden, Winkleman, Superior, strong mining interests,  
25 like we do, that's something very important.

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1                   If the Commission decides to split the  
2 district, however, I would suggest that if going to go  
3 into Maricopa County, they try to bring the areas of  
4 Queen Creek, Higley, Gilbert, areas not truly rural  
5 anymore, at least remember what it was like to be rural  
6 at one time.

7                   If you go into Scottsdale or certain parts  
8 of Mesa, it's not that way. But I encourage the  
9 Commission not to do that.

10                   I think this district is very well-drawn.  
11 I don't think it's big.

12                   I've looked at a lot of districts. This  
13 isn't all that big. That's not a problem.

14                   That's my comments.

15                   CHAIRMAN LYNN: Thank you, Mr. Griffith,  
16 very much.

17                   Are there any other member of the public  
18 that wishes to be heard this evening?

19                   Ladies and gentlemen, this is a very  
20 important process we are just wrapping up. In the past,  
21 the Legislature has performed the redistricting function  
22 and no public hearings were heard, no citizens were  
23 invited to speak. No individuals were allowed to  
24 participate in that process. For the first time the  
25 citizens of the State of Arizona have an active role in

1 what we're doing. Believe me, the comments made this  
2 evening even though they may seem to be contradictory at  
3 times are helpful to us in the work we have to do. Our  
4 job is to represent all 5.1 million people in Arizona.  
5 That means we'll have to make tough choices. It means  
6 not everyone is going to get what they wanted. It means  
7 perhaps no one is going to get everything they wanted.  
8 It does mean the process was done openly, with your  
9 help, with your observance, with your participation.  
10 And that, alone, is something to I think you should be  
11 happy about in terms of the way the process is done.

12 I neglected to do something at the  
13 beginning of the evening. I hope you will bear with me  
14 and join me at the end of evening to do something very  
15 important. As you know, it's been a very difficult week  
16 for all of us in this country. I wonder if you wouldn't  
17 mind joining the Members of the Commission and  
18 consultants and staff in a moment of silence to  
19 commemorate the people so tragically and needlessly  
20 killed in an act of barbaric terrorism we cannot afford  
21 to let go and cannot afford to keep us in fear. It is  
22 to our great credit as a country this process, being one  
23 example, of why we do what we do. We do it together as  
24 a people.

25 I would ask you join with us for a moment

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1 of silence in remembrance of the people lost this week.

2 (Whereupon, all in attendance joined  
3 together in observance of a moment of silence.)

4 CHAIRMAN LYNN: Again, thank you for your  
5 participation.

6 The Members of the Commission are  
7 available after the meeting to speak with you  
8 individually, if you should so desire.

9 We thank you for coming this evening.

10 The meeting is adjourned.

11 (Whereupon, the hearing concluded at  
12 approximately 8:13 p.m.)

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2 STATE OF ARIZONA )  
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3 COUNTY OF MARICOPA )

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6 BE IT KNOWN that the foregoing hearing was  
7 taken before me, LISA A. NANCE, RPR, CCR, Certified  
8 Court Reporter in and for the State of Arizona,  
9 Certificate Number 50349; that the proceedings were  
10 taken down by me in shorthand and thereafter reduced to  
11 typewriting under my direction; that the foregoing 69  
12 pages constitute a true and accurate transcript of all  
13 proceedings had upon the taking of said hearing, all  
14 done to the best of my ability.

15 I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am in no way  
16 related to any of the parties hereto, nor am I in any  
17 way interested in the outcome hereof.

18 DATED at Phoenix, Arizona, this 14th day  
19 of September, 2001.

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