

Excerpts From the Independent Redistricting Commission Public Hearing in Scottsdale, AZ: June 14, 2001

“The districts that the special interests often represent are seclusive and segregate populations of people within our communities. I encourage you to develop a plan that is fair, impartial, both for Congressional and Legislative Districts, and one that does not look to any specific single group but looks to all groups for consideration.”-Kyle Moore, Pg 6 Ln 12-18

“The main thing I’m trying to do is ask the Commission to make the minimum necessary changes to accommodate communities of interest and competitiveness of districts.” – Mark Osterloh, Pg 7 Ln 22-25

“...I encourage you to keep in mind as you do your redistricting you truly look not to dilute the minority vote but also to help increasing the minority vote, at least among the Native American population, which is already diluted.” -Jacob Moore, Pg 11 Ln 5

“...if not square boundaries, let’s have communities of interest. If not communities of interest, let’s have square compact districts.” – Terry Krukemyer, Pg 15 Ln 19-21

“I’ve taken a long look at the grids you’ve done and only the most uninformed individual would say that those maps that you have drawn would be worthy of submitting to Justice, because they take into account none of the communities of interest that Justice will demand be satisfied. My community of interest is an area bounded by roughly 32nd Street, 64th Street, Thomas Road, and the Camelback ridge line. This is my neighborhood. And that’s the community that I’m most interested in.” –John Mills, Pg 16 Ln 11-21

“I hope you don’t just take that Indian School Road with the canal as a dividing line. You would be dividing my community.” – Mills Pg 17 Ln 11-13

“With the way you have drawn now where it looks on the grid now, you said not to use the map, it looks like you’re going straight up Pima Road and looks like you’re going to split part of North Scottsdale, split Carefree, split Cave Creek. It doesn’t make sense to me.” – Heidi Stine, Pg 19 Ln 10-15

“You noted in the draft grid, as have been represented, a number of reservations within that district are split down the middle or into pieces. In my view, they need to be reunited, if nothing else.” – Steve Owens, Pg 21 Ln 25 and pg 22 Ln 1-4

“As I indicated, there are clear communities of interest between rural interests and rural suburban areas.”- Owens, Pg 21 Ln 7-9

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