ARIZONA INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

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Quality Inn
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Attending
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CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Good evening. This hearing of the Arizona Independent Redirecting Commission will now come to order.

Today is -- I should have set that up first -- October 29th, Friday, thank you. The time is 6:13 p.m. -- oh, it's the 28th. You guys, I'm not being staffed very well. Sorry. Kidding. Today is Friday, October 28th, and the time is 6:13 p.m.

If you would all please rise, we'll begin with the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: It's great to see all of you tonight on a Friday evening in Nogales. Thank you for coming tonight and participating in the process. We very much appreciate you being here.

I'll go ahead and introduce the people around the table. I'm Chairman Mathis and tonight we have Commissioners McNulty and Stertz. We also have legal counsel -- oh, I should say, first of all, we have two other commissioners, Vice Chair Freeman and Vice Chair Herrera who are not here tonight but they'll be able to watch a recording of this meeting tonight. It's all being recorded for viewing later as anyone can download
from our website. And we're all taking turns going
across the state to about 26 or 7 different locales and
so not all of the commissioners go to all of those
hearings but we can watch them later online.

Other folks at the table are legal counsel Mary
O'Grady, our mapping consultant Willie Desmond. We
have a court reporter tonight, Ken, who is here to take
an accurate transcript of tonight's proceedings, and we
have staff in the room, we have Deputy Executive
Director Kristina Gomez and Public Outreach Coordinator
Coordinators Liza Schmelling and Kristi Olson, and I
think -- oh, we have Buck Forst hiding there behind
the -- the hand went up. He's the Chief Technology
Officer recording all of this so that it goes up on the
internet at a later time.

So with that, we also have a translator.
Federal law requires us to translate all of our
hearings and tonight we have Elsa Gutierrez who will
be -- and if Ms. Gutierrez would come up to the
microphone and if you could give us some words of
welcome in both English and then Spanish, that would be
great, thank you.

Ms. GUTIERREZ: Good evening, my name is Elsa
Gutierrez, I am the English/Spanish
interpreter/translator.
(Whereupon, Spanish translation was then given.)

Chair Mathis, commissioners, ladies and gentlemen, in accordance with the Voting Rights Act, a translator/interpreter will be available at public hearings in order to provide translating/interpreting services that might be needed for those citizens that need translating or interpreting services. Please contact the translator present at this meeting so that she may assist you.

(Whereupon, Spanish translation was then given.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. So the purpose of tonight's meeting is really to hear from you and there will be an opportunity for public comments in just a little while; but if you like to address us tonight, please be sure to fill out a yellow request to speak form, I have a few up here, and I'll be calling these names later and you will come up to the microphone and give us your input on the draft congressional and draft legislative maps that have been posted and approved by the commission and that's why we're out talking to everybody across the state to hear what they like and they don't like about these maps and this is an important part of the process and we're here to listen to you so we are glad that you are here to talk to us tonight.
If you don't want to address us at the microphone tonight, if you don't want to speak tonight, there are certainly many other ways to provide input, and Willie Desmond will be going over some of that in his presentation but just to alert you now to your packets that you should have received on the way in, last page has a blue form in it and you can provide written comments to the commission using that form by filling it out tonight if you want and handing it to one of our staff or filling it out later and mailing it to us so there are multiple ways to provide input and we hope you will.

So with that I think that's covered all the housekeeping items for tonight and we can go ahead and get started with the overview of the process with Mr. Desmond.

(Whereupon, Mr. Desmond gave a short PowerPoint presentation.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you, Mr. Desmond. So that takes us to the next part of our hearing which is the public comment and so just some reminders, if you haven't done this before, please come up to the microphone and say your name and please spell your last name and that way we'll get an accurate transcription. Also, if you could say where you live, just the city,
town or county suffices, you don't need to give us an
address, and we prefer actually that you don't.

And then go ahead and provide us with your input
and on your input to the extent you can be specific
with us, please do so, please tell us exactly areas
that you looked at that you feel are, if there are
certain lines that need to be adjusted in a certain way
that you think need to happen, please tell us what
those are and if you've thought about the ripple
effects that would result from any movement, because as
everyone knows, once you move any little line, it
affects the whole map. Please tell us how we can
mitigate some of those ripple effects. We'd appreciate
that.

So with that I've got about eight request to
speak forms right now. If people could limit their
comments to four minutes each. We won't pull you off
but just try to be mindful of what everyone -- now we
have nine -- so that everyone gets an opportunity to
speak and we'll try to keep it at four minutes each.

With that, our first speaker is Maddy Urken
representing self from Sahuarita.

MS. URKEN: Chairman Mathis and commissioners,
thank you for being here and agreeing to listen to us.
My name is Maddy Urken, M-A-D-Y U-R-K-E-N. I do live
in Sahuarita and I was going to discuss my community of interest, the I-19/Santa Cruz valley area which clearly includes Nogales on here and as well as parts of Tucson. And some of you may recognize my face because I was there, too.

However, because the very legitimacy of the commission is being challenged at the highest state governmental levels, I will simply say that even though the maps presented today are not nearly competitive enough, especially the LD map, and my community of interest is in danger of being split.

I value the work of the commission. The commission has been operating under threats of one sort or another while carrying out work as defined by our state constitution as amended by a vote of Arizona citizens. The commission was even created following that constitution. Calls of impeachment is simply out of order. Your work should be respected and valued by our elected officials and not defamed.

Although you and I may disagree in fact or in principle, I support and am grateful for your work and I wish that you felt that support and gratefulness from top to bottom. Thank you.

(Appause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. Our next
speaker is William Maki representing self from Green Valley.

MR. MAKI: Madam Chair and members of the commission, my name is William Maki, last name spelled M-A-K-I. I am representing myself. I live in the Green Valley neighborhood and I was originally planning to be at your meeting in Green Valley, I'll be out of town so I come here to Nogales to talk about Green Valley, but let me digress for a moment.

Once again, I want to thank you for your work on this commission. In particular, I appreciate your congressional district draft map with its three competitive districts. I hope that you can find a way to increase the competitiveness of the legislative district map as well. If left as it is, I fear that Arizona is destined for another decade of one party rule and that would be a terrible blow in my estimation for democratic processes in our state.

As an example, witness the governor's interference in your work. She does not -- she does this not for legal or moral grounds but just simply because she can because of one party rule.

Now competitiveness aside, I'm here this evening to make a plea for maintaining the integrity of the community of interest that I'll refer to as the Santa
Cruz river valley or the I-19 corridor. Let me start by using myself as an example. Probably a bad idea but my postal address is Green Valley. My physical residence is within the town limits of Sahuarita. I pay taxes in the Continental School District. I frequently shop in Tubac, Green Valley, Sahuarita and Tucson.

My athletic pursuits range from hiking in Madera Canyon near Green Valley to attending U of A basketball games. I subscribe to the Tucson Symphony and I attend performances of theaters in Tucson. Although retired, I hold an adjunct professorship at the university where I attend research talks most Friday.

Now look carefully. In what I just described there is not one mention of communities to the east. The principal access of the Santa Cruz river valley is north-south along the I-19 corridor. Commerce, recreation and education all flow north-south and not east-west for a good geological reason, the Santa Rita Mountain Range.

There is no easy and short route across those mountains. They represent a natural eastern boundary for the Santa Cruz valley. Thus the interest of those of us in the Santa Cruz valley do not match all that well with those of the more rural communities to the
east. Placing Green Valley in LD 1 of the draft map fractures a naturally defined community of interest.

As a practical matter, that also runs afoul of compactness and continuity. East-west transportation is not direct so Green Valley is functionally disconnected from, say, Sierra Vista. Instead of an unnatural placement in LD 1, I would urge the commission to keep Green Valley together with its neighbors in LD 2 and thus respect the Santa Cruz river valley as our community of interest.

Thanks for your attention and, again, I wish you my best wishes going forward with this process.

(Applause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. Our next speaker is Eduardo Delci, is the last name, representing self from Santa Cruz County.

MR. DELCI: Thank you very much, Madam Chair, commissioners. My name is Eduardo Delci, D, as in David, E-L-C-I. I am currently the chair of the Santa Cruz County Democratic party but I'm only speaking on my behalf in this presentation. I have had three other opportunities to address the commission before and I welcome this opportunity and thank you very much for coming to Santa Cruz County to listen to our input.

Most importantly, my concern, I'm very pleased
with the Congressional District 3 that has been
proposed. My concern is with Legislative District 2,
and my biggest concern in that is that I argued
consistently that Santa Cruz County should remain as a
single, quote, political entity and not be divided and
Dr. Maki's comments about preserving the values of the
Santa Cruz river basin is critical to all of Santa Cruz
County.

I see that in the Legislative District 2 it may
be because of the unfortunate past history of the State
of Arizona that it has to go before the Department of
Justice in order to clear whatever findings the
commission comes up with, that placing the borderline
region of Cochise County, which is predominantly
Hispanic, and placing that particular vote within Santa
Cruz County I think is a disservice to that particular
community because it weakens their political vote
within Cochise County. Cochise County to me should be
an entity tying in with Graham and Greenlee County
because of their makeup, they are rural, their border
county -- it's a border county of Cochise County is an
agricultural based both in cattle and in farming.
It has small businesses, small towns and I think that
is very critical. I don't know the exact figures to be
able to determine what that population base is but
because of the geographic division that the Huachuca Mountains makes or developed between Santa Cruz and Cochise counties, it's more natural to have that borderland region that is right now delineated for Cochise County should stay within Cochise County and not Gerrymandered with Santa Cruz County.

If in fact we're looking for a population base that would respect a minority community vote, then looking west into the -- to the Tohono O'Odham, the Native American vote and the Hispanic vote that is registered in Santa Cruz County and Santa Cruz River corridor basin is more consistent with a legitimate competitive district that would respect the minority community vote much more so than trying to place the lower end of Cochise County into the Santa Cruz County in order to rationalize that minority vote.

I think that weakens the position of the minority vote in Cochise County and we want to reinforce the minority vote throughout the state. I don't have a full understanding of how legislative or Congressional District 1 is delineated, it puzzles me that if I'm reading the map wrong, I beg your pardon, but if I read it correctly, it extends Coconino County all the way to Greenlee and Graham and down into Cochise County reaching all the way to a little corner
of the state. I don't know if that was intentional to create a third congressional district along the borderline region which is being proposed by that particular delineation and I don't think that that's a good definition for you to be looking at.

Thank you very much and I also would like to reinforce, condemn personally the governor's action against the commission and the previous actions by the Attorney General, and fortunately the court found that you are working independently and you're doing a tremendous service for the State of Arizona which as a fourth generation Arizonan, I appreciate your effort.

Thank you very much.

(Appause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. Our next speaker is Barbara Mendoza representing self from Nogales.

MS. MENDOZA: Good evening. First and foremost, I would like to thank you for the work that you're doing. I can tell you from personal experience having sat in a similar status that you have that when you are being attacked by your adversaries it's because you're doing your job. Don't be afraid, go forward in doing the same effort that you have put forth so far. The job you're doing is commendable and I greatly
appreciate the work that you are doing.

I want to thank the commission for listening to the people on the issues. I've come before you, this is the third time now. I appreciate the fact that you listen to the Hispanic coalition interests and that you responded appropriately.

Nogales is a community of interest with south and west Pima County. We're culturally, economically and physically bound. The Santa Cruz River and I-19 physically bind Nogales and Santa Cruz County with Pima County and Tucson. Nogales and Santa Cruz County have been very happy with our congressional district as we're currently served and hopefully that it can stay that way.

When it comes to legislative matters, I do have some concerns. Again, I thank you for preserving the historical and cultural ties that have existed in our state for many, many years, however, I do have concern over what needs to be done for civic participation in elections and your guarantee that there is competition and that it is given a little stronger support.

I'm hoping that our legislative map includes more of the I-19 corridor and the community of interest that we have there and I don't quite understand the eastern part of the legislative district for down here
but I am hoping that the community of interest in the I-19 corridor continues and I thank you again for the work that you are doing. Thank you.

(Applause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. Our next speaker is Rich Bohman from Tubac.

MR. BOHMAN: Good evening, Madam Chair, commissioners. My name is Rich Bohman, B-O-H-M-A-N, and I do live in Tubac. I'm currently serving as the president of the Santa Cruz Valley Citizens Council but I'm here tonight just speaking on my own behalf.

The first comment I want to make is it's unfortunate that I believe both meetings in the Nogales area have occurred at 6:00 p.m. on a Friday evening and I was unable to make the first one because of a prior commitment and looking here at the room, we've got a few people but certainly not as many as I thought and I don't know who is responsible for setting up the meeting time but it's unfortunate we didn't have the time of Monday through Thursday night versus a Friday, so just a comment.

I've looked at the maps. I can only -- can't even appreciate all of the work that you must have trying to get down to the number one in equalizing all the areas. I mean I'm not even sure how you do that.
You've got to have a map that's so big to get all the various households in, it's incredible so that in itself is a chore that seems to be very daunting. It looks like you've met that.

I am concerned and some other people that spoke tonight voice the same concern I have and with me it's both within the congressional as well as the legislative districts. Santa Cruz valley, which basically runs from Nogales up through Tucson, but from the perspective of keeping in mind the population constraints, I'm going to use the areas south as the Nogales border up to maybe where the South Tucson city limits start. I would like to see the entire Santa Cruz valley, both sides of the I-19 communities of interest be in the same congressional and legislative districts.

Looking at the congressional district, I don't think our area here has a whole lot in common other than that we live in Arizona and like each other with Yuma. They are an agricultural area, they have, I think they should be maybe part of the area that's including La Paz County which I believe is not very populace and move that boundary line further to the east.

And then I look at the congressional, I'm
getting a little different perspective but if I were a
candidate, and looking at the geographical areas that
some of these candidates have to oversee, I mean
there's some very big disparities in what their
knowledge and interests have to be of those districts
or those areas that they have to cover.

But to get back to my real concern, I would like
to see the map change slightly to include all of the
Santa Cruz river valley, and I think one gentleman
outlined the mountains to the east and keep the I-19
corridor and the communities of Nogales, Rio Rico,
Tumacacori, Tubac, Sahuarita, Green Valley in the same
congressional and legislative districts. Thank you
very much.

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you.

(Appplause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Our next speaker is Doug
Holler representing self from Nogales.

MR. HOLLER: Hello. My name is Doug Holler,
H-O-L-L-E-R, and I'm here representing myself. I'm a
fourth generation Nogales resident and I believe we're
up to six for sure. And I'm here representing myself.
I say that again because I am the treasurer for the
Santa Cruz County Democratic Central Committee. I'm a
precinct committeeman for Precinct 19 here in Santa
Cruz County.

I would like to start with saying that in regards to the Congressional District 3 that I'm happy with the current proposal as it stands. And in regards to Legislative District 2, I have mixed feelings because I think it's great for a Democrat from Santa Cruz County, which is here, but I think it's -- would be tad unfair for a Democrat from Cochise County to have that division and I ask the commission to maybe have another look at that and I trust that the commission will do that.

Doing a very good job which leads me to I want to thank all of the commission, I know you're doing volunteer work and it's hard work and I think you have done a very good job and I know the governor and others have been critical and interfering but from my past experience, that just tells me that you're doing a good job. Thank you.

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you.

(Appplause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Our next speaker is Cesar Parada from the city council in Nogales. I probably didn't say your name very well so it was probably hard to hear or recognize I should say.

MR. PARADA: Hi. My name is Cesar, C-E-S-A-R,
last name Parada, P-A-R-A-D-A. I'm presently a city
councilman for the City of Nogales.

First of all, thank you for coming to our city
and state, from Nogales and Santa Cruz County and I
would like to congratulate your staff and your
volunteers, workers to bring this forum to Nogales so
we could have a good input into the legislative
district and the congressional.

I think that Nogales and Pima County, we have
sort of a great bunch together with those cities. Most
of our people go for medical, most of our kids go for
education so I believe that I'm very confident and I
really think that you guys made a big job, it takes a
lot of time, I know that talk about a lot of effort and
a lot of input you're getting, I really feel confident
for what you have done both legislative and
congressional and the good thing about it, it still
opens -- the doors are still open for improvement so it
gives everybody a chance to appear in groups.

I would like to thank you for being here in
Nogales.

(Applause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. Our next
speaker is Rudy Molera, Santa Cruz County Supervisor
District 2.
MR. MOLERA: Good evening, my name, Madam Chair. Commission. I, too, want to thank you for coming down to our community of Nogales and especially on a Friday. Actually I have my own personal criticism coming down on a Friday, game seven. I'm missing the World Series. But all kidding aside, we really, really appreciate it.

Getting back to my name is Rudy Molera, M-O-L-E-R-A, and I, too, want to thank you because obviously you have a major challenge, you have had a lot of criticisms and a tough job and I, too, support your efforts. I believe you guys have done a real good job.

Santa Cruz County -- first of all, the Congressional District 3, I personally live in that district and it didn't change and I agree with -- I want to echo some of the thoughts that were expressed earlier, Santa Cruz River valley is critical culturally, physical and economical. We have a bond with Tucson and the whole river valley and I believe that it's good that it's kept together.

The legislative, I am going to also critique a little bit and I do agree with the earlier comments where the people in Cochise, Douglas, need to stay in Cochise and we need to maintain our district with our own in Santa Cruz and hopefully the commission can
listen to these minor critiques that we've made today.

I do understand that you guys have a very challenging job as I mentioned earlier and we do thank you for coming down here and we thank you for your efforts. It is a tough job and keep working hard.

Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. Our next speaker is Marshall Magruder representing self from Tubac.

MR. MAGRUDER: Good evening, Chairman. My name is Marshall Magruder, M-A-G-R-U-D-E-R. I live in Tubac and Santa Cruz County. And I'm looking at your, first at your congressional district and I know you've worked hard. This is not easy to play games with these numbers and try to come up with something that makes everything balanced but looking at your grid map for the congressional districts, I actually like it better than your actual congressional draft map and whatever you did in your 26 meetings, you sure Gerrymandered a lot in the meantime.

But looking at the one that you are working from now I'm a very strong believer that the I-19 corridor, I-19, us in the Santa Cruz Valley, as you know history Santa Cruz broke away from Pima County. They are our
mother county so if there's any place that we're
closest to county-wise is Pima County.

In fact, we're a fairly small county. As I
think you know only 47,000 people. Lots of time our
county will hire Pima County people to be our coroner
and various jobs that we just can't support a full-time
staff position so our county does work very closely
with Pima. We also work very closely with Green Valley
and Sahuarita.

And sort of the border, the San Xavier
Reservation border below that is all the same
community, all the same community and to make this
happen, looking at your map, what I would sort of
suggest is to take the eastern boundary of Santa Cruz
County and extend it north to I-10 and then put all
that into our county, into this same legislative
district but to compensate for that I would then
combine Yuma into one district and take La Paz and
above La Paz as far as you needed to go to the west and
make that all into Congressional District 3 on the map.

Now I really think we worked hard to draw those
little things around Naco and some of those other
places down to the south in Cochise County, that county
should be the same. That county is the same. It's
like Santa Cruz County working with Pima County and it
works very closely with Greenlee and Graham County and
those three would be a nice grouping together because
they are very rural because this big one gigantic rural
district you have is absolutely impossible for some one
congress person to represent.

That person -- thin of their mileage. To make a
talk on any of your constituents, I'm not running in
that district or anything, but that's a terrible place
to represent and to make it a little bit smaller what I
would do is take District 4, which is the green
district and move it over to the boundary of the Navajo
Nation which cuts up through Yavapai County into
Coconino County so you keep the Navajo, the Hopi
nations together but the other Indian organizations on
the Colorado River would stay in the four and not in
the large, the world's largest congressional district
which is probably what that would be and I really think
it's, just size-wise, it is absolutely impossible.

I do think keeping the Southern Arizona voting
population have some representation with three people
in Tucson is very important because we sort of are a
minority group compared with the rest of the state.

Looking at the legislative district, I think
keeping them -- I also like the grid map better than
the Gerrymandered one at the bottom, and when you look
at Santa Cruz County and Cochise County, I would get all that pink stuff out of District 2 and put it into District 1 with Cochise County and combine it with Greenlee and Graham County again and again take the eastern boundary of Santa Cruz County, extend it to, up to I-10 and cut across, because those people in Whetstone and Vail and those communities are actually closer to us than they are to Cochise County.

And if we need some more people because we're going to lose a couple, I don't mind the Tohono O'odham Nation joining in with our county because we're good friends with those people, too.

So those are just some comments. Keep I-19 as one community and make all of Cochise County one border county. Santa Cruz County, maybe including the Tohono O'odham Nation as the second border county and Yuma, again you might want to combine with La Paz.

Those are my comments. I don't have the numbers and I know you guys get a chance to play games with moving the numbers around but I think keeping the communities together and acting as a community is what we're all about. Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you. That was my last notice -- I have one more. This is Pat Fleming
representing herself from Cochise.

MS. FLEMING: Good evening, Madam Chair, members of the commission and staff people. Thank you so much for being here. My name is Pat Fleming, F-L-E-M-I-N-G. I live in Sierra Vista — well, just south of Sierra Vista in Cochise County and I'm here this evening to advocate for good government, true legislative representation and my community so that I'm claim here on the southeastern border.

I'm grateful for the opportunity to express my support for the process that's been presented at the beginning of the meeting where you were showing the public who might not know all of the details of what happened in November 2000 when the people of Arizona voted by way of Proposition 106 to create the commission you are sitting on.

It seems to me like many people don't understand or just don't recognize that you all were appointed by the legislative leadership; that is, two of you from the majority party and two of you from the minority party. You all set a great example by electing an independent chairwoman. I think many of us here in Arizona can take that as evidence of a democratic process that many of us really need to be reminded of and may be put better into practice. Your
bipartisanship efforts really have set a great example for the rest of us and I appreciate that very much.

The process beginning with a clean outline of Arizona has made a lot of progress from them. I'm hearing people talking about the grid maps. I think maybe I need to go back and look at those grid maps again myself. But the lines are drawn without the consideration of sitting incumbent legislators and I think that's very, very important.

Each of you have been under constant attack and I personally find that appalling when you should be commended for your efforts as citizen volunteers for assuming a huge task.

I'm very pleased to hear the support that comes from the people of this community. Please know that those who are attacking you with disrespect are disrespecting the will of the voters but there are as many of those who do appreciate what you're doing and respect the commission and the work and your efforts.

Now this is not to say that I agree with all the distribution of the legislative district lines you've already created in this approved map. They are way too few competitive districts in the entire current map. For example, my concerns are about Legislative District 2 here where you're sitting now created as a
minority/majority district, but it has a lot of merit itself except that the district apparently has been packed to create that super majority giving a 26 point advantage for the Democrats.

I ask that you make some minor changes that would not change the Democratic leaning district. By moving the Democratic leaning precincts of Bisbee, Naco, Douglas, portions of Hereford and Palominos that are sitting in Cochise County and move those back into LD 1. It certainly wouldn't make LD 1 much more competitive but I believe you could pick up some of their numbers of population along I-19 corridor.

I believe, too, that doing such, bringing as you've already heard, bringing those smaller areas back into the folds of Cochise County itself is truly being respectful of the communities of interest we have there and certainly the Cochise County residents as many of you heard the other night, but thank you for being citizen volunteers, thank you for your attention and thank you for considering all the comments that have been made to you this evening.

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Thank you.

(Applause.)

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Is there anyone else who would like to address the commission or anybody I
missed?

Okay. I very -- I'll let my fellow commissioners speak, too, but thank you very much for being here tonight on a Friday evening and I apologize that the scheduling worked out the way it did. I didn't realize that we had a Friday evening the last time, too, but it's impressive that all you of came out and joined us and took time out of your life to do this so thank you.

And I also appreciate your comments. We heard them all and I also appreciate your professionalism in delivering them. You were all very respectful and we appreciate the support.

With that I'll turn it of over to Commissioner McNulty?

COMMISSIONER MCNULTY: Thank you. Thank you for coming on a Friday night. Thank you very much for your support. This has been a long and difficult process. It's fascinating at the same time and it's really gratifying when fellow citizens come out and spend time and give us detailed comments and are able on the one hand to say they support the process and on the other hand tell us very directly what they disagree with on the maps and how they would like to improve them. I really appreciate that. I will ask Willie if he knows
what the score is. Sometimes he -- well, okay. I
can't get you an update. Sorry.

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: Commissioner Stertz.

COMMISSIONER STERTZ: Madam Chair, again thank
everybody for coming out tonight. If there was a
Packer game on, Willie would know the score.

The I-19 corridor, Santa Cruz corridor, is
incredibly important. We understand it, we've heard
that and I want to give a compliment to Pat Fleming.
This is the third time this week that we've seen you.
I didn't see you in person last night but I saw your
testimony online. So I wanted to say that you're
putting some miles on as well making sure that you're
getting your testimony heard to the commission as you
were in Thatcher last night and you were in Sierra
Vista two nights before and then tonight here in
Nogales.

And I like to say too say that we're not coming
down to Nogales, that we're coming up to Nogales
because I remind all my friends in Phoenix they are
coming up to Tucson and now we're coming up to Nogales
so thank you very much for coming out tonight, we
really appreciate it. All of your comments were
extremely thoughtful, they were well thought through,
they were comprehensive and they gave great testimony
and a great basis for us to be able to move forward and make our decisions as we contemplate the changes going forward on the maps. So thank you and have a great time watching the game tonight.

CHAIRPERSON MATHIS: And I would just note that the tour continues. Tomorrow we'll be in the City of Yuma, 1:00 p.m. at Yuma City Hall. So if anyone wants to make the trek to Yuma, you're welcome to join us or you can watch online. I hope it will be streaming. If it's not streaming, it's because there is some technical difficulty with bandwidth. We have had that issue. But it will be recorded and it will be uploaded if for some reason we're not streaming live.

After Yuma on Tuesday is out next meeting, November 1st, and that's at South Mountain Community College in Phoenix. So you can check our website for future meetings. We'll continue these on through November 5th and with that I think we will adjourn. The time is 7:11 p.m. Thank you.

(Whereupon, the public session adjourned.)

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STATE OF ARIZONA )
 ) ss.
COUNTY OF PIMA )

BE IT KNOWN that I, Kenneth W. Schippers, took the foregoing hearing at the time and place stated in the caption hereto; that I was then and there a Certified Court Reporter (CCR #50248) in and for County of Pima, State of Arizona; that the testimony of said hearing was reduced to writing under my direction and the foregoing pages contain a full, true and correct transcription of my notes of said hearing.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I am not of counsel for any of the parties to said action or otherwise interested in the event thereof, and that I am not related to either or any of the parties to said cause.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 16th day of November, 2011.

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