



STATE ASSEMBLY 2004 – 2008

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Redistricting Commission

Via email: shapecaliforniasfuture@auditor.ca.gov

Dear Commissioners:

I served in the State Legislature for 12 years and was honored to serve for the last four in the district with the highest API population. My wife is Chinese, speaks Mandarin and Cantonese, and was a real asset in helping me represent my diverse district.

Drawing districts that represent our state's demographics is a challenge. You have a tough job, and I commend you for rising to the need. I am sure you are aware that our Asian population is our fastest growing demographic in the state, fueled by Chinese immigration. The API community is not homogenous; they are comprised of many sub-groups, many sharing little in common, other than coming from the same continent and an ethnic designation of API.

It is my understanding that the initial 8 members chosen randomly from the eligibility pool for your committee has resulted in a disparity of Latinos as well as Asians that represent the bulk of our Asian ethnicities. As you exercise your duty to choose the remaining six members in an equitable manner, an appointment of Chinese, Filipino and/or Korean members would go a long way to making sure the Asian community is truly represented.

Thank you for your service.

Best regards,

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