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Quick observation from viewing the 9/2 meeting video

1 message

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First, thanks for placing that link for those of us who were not able to watch in real time.

As for the meeting itself, I couldn't help but notice that the legislator members of the commission have a disproportionate, outsized input to the proceedings. They tend to forget that <u>we are all the beneficiaries of this process</u>.

Dave Robie Falls Church Fairfax County Haycock Precinct



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PUBLIC COMMENT FOR SEPT. 2, 2021 MEETING OF THE VIRGINIA REDISTRICTING COMMISSION RE NORTHERN DISTRICT

1 message

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My name is Kris Gregory and I am a resident of Fairfax County. My family was redistricted in 2011 from the 53rd Delegate District in Fairfax County to the 48th Delegate District. We were also redistricted from the 10th Congressional District to the 8th Congressional District. I urge you to correct this mistake.

My immediate neighbors and I have a Falls Church mailing address even though we pay taxes for the McLean Community Center and technically are McLean residents. The results of the 2011 redistricting divided the McLean area of Fairfax County between 4 delegate districts and 2 Congressional districts. Many voters in McLean are confused about who represents them and it is not their fault.

The current 48th Delegate District is located approximately 1/3 in Fairfax County and 2/3 in Arlington County. Our Delegate Rip Sullivan (D-48th) is a friend and does a great job since he lives in the Fairfax County section of his district. Having to split his time between 2 counties limits the time he can spend on Fairfax issues through no fault of his own.

The VA 8th Congressional District is currently made up of Alexandria City, Arlington County, Falls Church City, and most of the Fairfax County areas with Alexandria and Falls Church mailing addresses. Congressman Don Beyer (D-VA 8th) has family and business ties to McLean and Falls Church City so he has been a great representative for the entire 8th Congressional district. However, the majority of McLean residents are in the 10th Congressional District and many voters who live in the 8th Congressional District mistakenly assume that they are too until they vote.

I regret that my own Delegate Rip Sullivan will probably lose his seat but please redistrict me into McLean and Fairfax County majority districts. And I want to keep my Falls Church mailing address!

Thank you.

Kris Gregory Longfellow Precinct Captain Dranesville District Democratic Committee/DDDC Fairfax County Democratic Committee/FCDC