

March 24, 2011

Speaker Jim Tucker
732 Behrman Highway, Suite C-2
Terrytown, LA 70056

RE: Redistricting Southern Hills

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Please know that as a citizen of Southern Hills, I oppose the redistricting plan as it was voted on yesterday in the strongest possible terms, and I urge you to reconsider. My husband and I have lived in the Southern Hills area for 20 years. We purchased our home in this area because of its identity.

First, the population of Caddo Parish does not warrant such a move. Caddo Parish is majority white and the creation of this district would leave Caddo Parish with four minority districts and not a single majority white district entirely within the Parish. This does not accurately reflect the demographics of Caddo Parish and should not pass.

Second, there is no community of interest between Southern Hills and the other areas that would make up the majority of this new district. Southern Hills is a large, but very close community that has played a significant role in the development of Shreveport from an economic, cultural and political perspective. The inclusion of Southern Hills in a minority district would potentially strip it of its identity.

Please oppose this effort at all costs. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Alan Seabaugh, Representative, District 5
Richard Burford, Representative District 7