I wish to express my strong opposition to all three of Redistricting Partners’ draft redistricting plans for the SJECCD’s seven trustee areas.

With the Implementation of Redistricting Partners’ Draft Plan A:

1. Trustee Area 7 would go from being a Hispanic majority trustee area to a Hispanic plurality trustee area.

2. The majority of SJECCD’s portion of the Orchard School District would be part of Trustee Area 7 rather than of Trustee Area 1. All other things being equal, the SJECCD’s portion of the Orchard School District, a feeder school district of East Side Union High School District, would seem to be a better fit with Trustee Area 1 since at present Trustee Area 1 includes much although not all of the Berryessa Union School District, also a feeder school district of the East Side Union High School District. The Orchard School District may have an Asian majority; if SJECCD’s portion of the Orchard School District has an Asian majority, all other things being equal, SJECCD’s portion of the Orchard School District would seem to be a better fit with Trustee Area 1, an Asian majority trustee area, rather than with Trustee Area 7, which presently has a Hispanic majority.

3. While most of Trustee Area 2’s present portion of the Evergreen School District would be in Trustee Area 4, Trustee Area 2 would include even more of the Franklin-McKinley School District than at present.

4. Trustee Area 4’s Asian percentage and Asian CVAP percentage would both be lower than at present.

5. Trustee Area 6 would seem to have the entirety of San Jose’s Gardner neighborhood even though at least certain portions of the Gardner neighborhood would seem to be a better fit with Trustee Area 7.

With the Implementation of Redistricting Partners’ Draft Plan B:

1. Milpitas would be divided between Trustee Areas 1 and 3 whereas as present Milpitas is completely or almost completely in Trustee Area 1.

2. Most of the land area of the Milpitas Unified School District would be in Trustee Area 3 rather than in Trustee Area 1.

3. The Hispanic percentage and the Hispanic CVAP percentage of Trustee Area 2 would be approximately five percentage points and 4.5 percentage points, respectively, lower than with the present Trustee Area 2.
4. The entire area within Berryessa Road, North Capitol Avenue, McKee Road, and Lundy Avenue/North King Road which has an Asian majority would seem to be completely in Hispanic majority Trustee Area 2 rather than mostly in the Asian majority Trustee Area 1.

5. Trustee Area 4 would include a portion (or portions) west of Monterey Road.

With the Implementation of Redistricting Partners’ Draft Plan C:

1. Trustee Area 7 would go from being a Hispanic majority trustee area to a Hispanic plurality trustee area.

2. Trustee Area 2 would include an Asian majority area which is west of U.S. Route 101 and north of Tully Road which is at present in Trustee Area 4.

3. Trustee Area 4 would go from being an Asian majority trustee area to an Asian plurality trustee area. The Asian percentage of Trustee Area 4 would be reduced by approximately eight percentage points!

4. Certain majority Hispanic areas south of Interstate 280 would be in Trustee Area 6 rather than in Trustee Area 7 as at present.

5. Trustee Area 7 would include a portion or all of the Rose Garden neighborhood.

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