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Mr. Lou Becker  
Chairperson, Redistricting Advisory Committee  
Santa Clara Valley Water District  
5700 Almaden Expressway  
San Jose, CA 95118

Dear Chairperson Becker:

We appreciate the Santa Clara Valley Water District Redistricting Advisory Committee's commitment to an open, fair, and transparent redistricting process.

In reviewing the Plan S map under consideration, we are concerned about the significant decrease in the Asian population in District 1, compared to the Asian population in the existing District 1. We encourage you to keep in mind the redistricting process criterion, "Minimize the dilution of votes, and avoid the fragmentation or the over-compaction of ethnic communities."

We continue to watch the Santa Clara Valley Water District redistricting process with interest and thank the Redistricting Advisory Committee for their public service.

Sincerely,

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