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NYC Districting Commission - June 27, 2022 Hearing at York College Performing Arts Center  
Testimony on behalf of the Broadway-Flushing Homeowners' Association

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On behalf of the members of the Broadway-Flushing Homeowners' Association, we are pleased to submit this Statement regarding the Proposed Council District Boundaries at the NYC Districting Commission Hearing.

The Broadway-Flushing Homeowners Association represents an area with over 1,300 households in North Flushing. Our organization was founded over a half century ago to preserve and protect our neighborhood's character through any and every legal means possible, including enforcement of our private deed restrictions, the adoption of contextual zoning and achieving historic landmark district designation.

The Association's boundaries extend from Northern Boulevard on the South, to 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the north, from 155<sup>th</sup> Street (both sides) on the west to 170<sup>th</sup> Street (both sides) on the east.

Currently, the 19<sup>th</sup> Council District ends at our Association's southern border, Northern Boulevard between 155<sup>th</sup> and 162<sup>nd</sup> streets, and continues to follow Northern Boulevard to 166<sup>th</sup> Street. This is the correct boundary for the district, as our predominantly one-family zoning – and neighborhood – significantly changes to the south and west of this line (see attached map – one-family zoning in yellow, blue line shows boundary between Council Districts 19 and 20).

This boundary is also proposed by the Queens Civic Congress (QCC) of which we are a member. QCC has submitted a Queens-wide districting proposal to the Districting Commission, and we wholeheartedly support it.

In 2012, the Districting Commission's initial draft plan would have divided our neighborhood in two. After our continued advocacy and explanations as to why our association area should remain intact and in the 19<sup>th</sup> Council District, the Districting Commission agreed and modified the boundary to its present location.

As an R1-2A and R2A one-family neighborhood, we work closely with our adjacent one-family neighborhoods of North Flushing, Bowne Park, Auburndale and Station Road Civic Association. We are all united in remaining in the 19<sup>th</sup> Council District. We are part of the largest contiguous

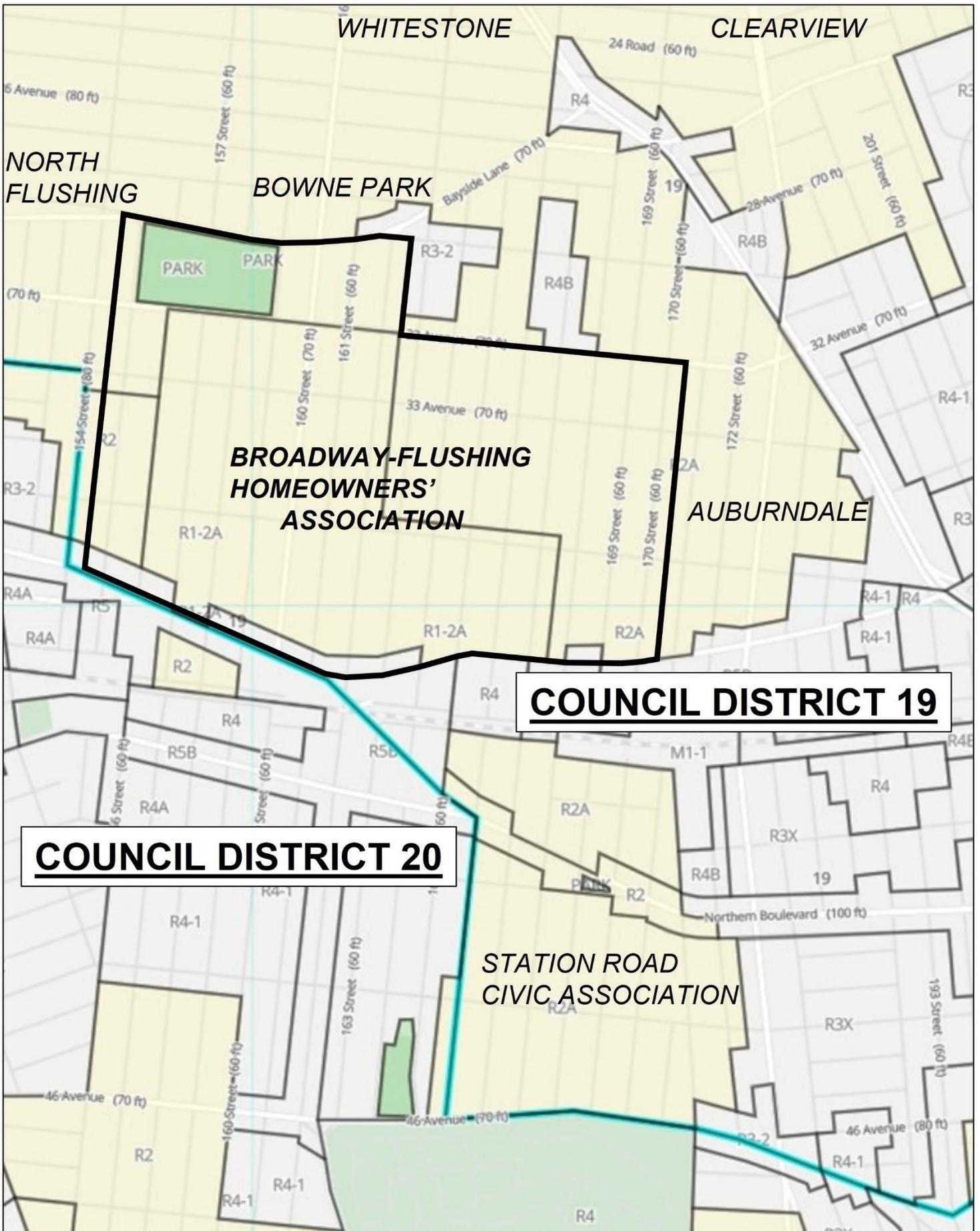
area of one-family housing in New York City, from North Flushing and Whitestone through Bayside, Douglaston and Little Neck.

We urge the Districting Commission to respect the current Council District boundary in our Association area along Northern Boulevard as well as the overall proposed boundaries for Council District 19 as proposed by the Queens Civic Congress.

Sincerely,

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Broadway-Flushing Homeowners' Association



**Broadway-Flushing Homeowners' Association (BFHA)**