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To Chair Walcott and Members of the New York City Redistricting Commission,

As a longtime resident and voter from Bay Ridge, Brooklyn, I strongly urge the Commission to keep all of Bay Ridge from Shore Road on the west to 65th Street in the north to 7th Avenue on the east to the Belt Parkway in the south – all wholly contained within the same Council District. These boundaries would also finally add the Towers of Bay Ridge into the Bay Ridge Council District, something that community has been longing for for quite some time. Additionally, those boundaries match up exactly with both Community Board 10 boundaries as well as the 68 Police Precinct which only further demonstrates the longstanding precedent acknowledged by the City of New York that our area is one.

Willfully splitting up Bay Ridge into several Council Districts would deny Bay Ridge residents of the fair, effective, and consolidated representation we deserve in the City Council.

Best, Joan Paczkoski