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Lura Powell, Ph.D.  
Chair, Washington State Redistricting Commission  
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Dear Dr. Powell:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide the State Redistricting Commission comments on the draft plans announced by the Commission last month.

In a letter dated August 3, I expressed the Burien City Council's preference for continuing to have Burien in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Congressional Districts. After reviewing the four draft plans last night, the Council has determined that we remain supportive of having the City of Burien included in two congressional districts, with a preference for maintaining a strong connection with our fellow suburban communities.

Regarding potential state legislative districts, the Burien City Council again wishes to express its preference to remain in three districts (11<sup>th</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> and 34<sup>th</sup>), again with a strong suburban perspective.

Thank you for considering the Burien City Council's input.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan McGilton  
Mayor

cc: Washington State Redistricting Commission Members  
Burien City Council Members