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French Quarter Citizens

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The city of New Orleans, the French Quarter community, and French Quarter Citizens much appreciate your efforts to defeat Jefferson Parish's efforts to protect incumbents by carving up New Orleans into legislative districts ignoring neighborhoods and city interests. The Jefferson amendment's grotesquely configured districts — see our attached analysis — remind us all of politics at its worst.

Although the incumbent-protection initiative did not go forward, we understand it may be introduced during the floor debate beginning on Monday, March 28. We have prepared a paper that analyzes various dimensions of the proposal, and summarizes the reasons that we believe it bad for New Orleans, and for the French Quarter. The paper is attached for your information; we have shared this analysis with our membership, asking them to contact state legislators to urge defeat of any attempts to reintroduce this amendment and reiterate our belief that the French Quarter should be in its entirety in single House and Senate districts.

Please feel free to share this message, and our analysis, with other legislators.

Sincerely,

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