

When politicians draw districts, cities, counties and communities around the state are purposely divided up so politicians can get the outcome they desire. Districts that cut up counties, cities and communities leave voters with no political voice and no real choice when it comes to election day. Prop. 20 could actually end up saving California taxpayers and reducing bureaucracy by having both state legislative and congressional redistricting conducted by the same voter-approved independent Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Prop. 20 helps ensure communities of interest are kept intact in congressional districts giving voters a greater political voice to demand that important issues are addressed. The measure specifically defines communities of interest as "a contiguous population which shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation." In 1991, the California Supreme Court relied on these principles to draw districts that respected the state's communities (Exhibit Nos. 3 and 4). Prop. 20 supporters include AARP, the National Federation of Independent Business/California, the California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce, California NAACP, Cal-Tax, the California Chamber of Commerce, California Common Cause and the Asian Pacific American Public Affairs Association.

V. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

VI. EXHIBITS

1. Yes on Proposition 20 Fact Sheet. (pgs. 4-5)
2. Resolution No. 10-090. (pgs. 6-7)
3. Letter to Mayor *Pro Tem* Santarina requesting support. (pg. 8)
4. Yes on 20 Support Sheet. (pg. 9)