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Dear Friends and Fellow Republicans

## Redistricting and the Future of the 6th Congressional District

As most of you are aware, each 10 years the census and the US Constitution require that each Legislative District in each of the 50 United States redistrict based on population lines and such. The Constitution says very little about it, other than it must occur.

To ensure that the Eileen Filler Corn led leftists could not control this process, Republicans under the leadership of Todd Gilbert (now Speaker Designate Gilbert) took a page from the Democrats play book, and forced them to live up to their own promises of a "bi-partisan Redistricting Commission".

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people on the Commission who were vehement opponents of the Commission. Once this Commission blew up, the statute required that the Redistricting be done by representatives of the Virginia State Supreme Court. The Court approved/appointed both Republican and Democratic map drawers. And earlier this week, they came out with their 1st drawing of the Congressional Districts, Senate Districts, and House of Delegate Districts.

As far as CD 6 goes, assuming this map stays as it is (which there is a high degree of probability but certainly not 100%) CD 6 will remain and solidify as an I-81 Corridor District, which will pick up Frederick County, Clarke County, Winchester City, Craig County, Allegheny County, and the City of Covington. CD 6 is scheduled to lose Amherst, Bedford, and Lynchburg. Roanoke County will remain inside CD 6 but the boundaries will change somewhat.

If I'm reading the Senate Districts, the Commission has placed Senators Obenshain, Hanger, and Creigh Deeds all into the same Legislative District.

The last map drawn by the 1st Redistricting Commission was little more than a joke, which would have put Frederick/Winchester, Shenandoah, Page, Warren, in the same Congressional District as Stafford and Prince William (and called it CD 7) - and then gave CD 6 Charlottesville, Greene, Madison etc (aka an even bigger joke). This new Congressional District, if allowed to stand by the Supreme Court, is a geographically sound Congressional District based on actual geographical lines (part of what the Commission was supposed to base the maps on) and not abject stupidity.

If these maps remain, and at least at the Congressional District Level I hope they do, I will miss many people from Amherst, Lynchburg, and Bedford. The list is too long to put into print. The list is over 1,000 people long and thus it would be impossible for me to list everyone or even just a few.

For more on what the new maps will look like, here from The Bull Elephant:

https://thebullelephant.com/proposed-redistricting-maps-are-in-bryce-reeves-now-running-for-congress-in-the-10th-district/

This is a very complicated process and there are dozens of things which need to be hammered out, but this is the start of how the 6th Congressional District Subscribe Past Issues Translate ▼

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I remain

your servant

JM

S John Massoud 6th District Republican Party Chairman



## **Upcoming Events:**

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December 13 - Roanoke City GOP Christmas Party. 6 PM - Montano's International Restaurant

December 14 - Waynesboro GOP Committee Meeting 7 PM - 481 Hopeman Parkway

December 14 - Ben Cline fundraiser - Lexington Golf and Country Club - 5 30 PM - Wear your ugliest Christmas Sweater! Contact Laura Bell McNemamin at 703 887 3988

December 18 - Fairfield Christmas Parade - Contact Ronnie Campbell for details - delrcampbell@house.virginia.gov

January 15 2022 - Inauguration Celebration in Rockbridge - Details to follow

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