

May 15, 2011

Joe Woodson, Jr.  
Redistricting Coordinator  
Arkansas Board of Apportionment  
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Dear Mr. Woodson,

I would first like to thank you for all of the hard work you do for the state every day and especially for the countless hours you have spent working on the changes to congressional as well as state house and senate districts due to the results of the 2010 Census.

I am writing to show my support for the map labeled May 4 state senate map of Northwest Arkansas on the Board of Apportionment website. As a citizen of Elkins, I feel that our town would be better represented in a senate seat that is made up of primarily of other small towns. I fear that if Elkins were to remain in the same seat as Springdale, our needs would fall far behind the much larger city. I think Elkins would be best served if it were in state senate seat # 6.

Sincerely,



Dylan Ferrell  
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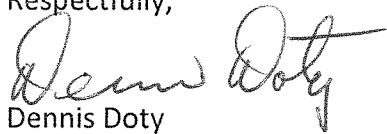
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Respectfully,



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May 25, 2011

City of Tontitown  
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The Honorable Mike Martin  
State Capitol Room 256  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Honorable Mark Martin,

I am writing to express my concerns about the way that the new state senate districts will be drawn in the upcoming redistricting. The people of Tontitown are alarmed at the possibility that they could be included at the tail end of a Benton County state senate district and that their needs could be superseded by the needs of Benton County.

We currently have partners in the towns of Springdale, Johnson and Elm Springs. We share common goals and aid each other as needs arise. As such, it would be logical for these neighboring Washington County towns to remain in a single state district. As Mayor of Tontitown, I feel it would be in our best interest to keep this community of interest intact.

I commend your service to the state, especially in undertaking this daunting task. It is citizens like you who make the system work the way it should.

Respectfully Yours,

Tommy Granata  
Mayor  
City of Tontitown

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May 31, 2011

Mr. Joe Woodson, Jr.  
Arkansas Board of Apportionment  
Suite 160, Victory Building 1401 West Capitol Avenue  
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Dear Mr. Woodson:

I am writing in regard to the Apportionment Board's redrawing of District 63, which is the district that I represent in the House of Representatives. The new map of District 63 is essentially unchanged except for the fact that the neighborhood in which I live has been cut out of the district. As an incumbent, I do not feel that it is right or appropriate to be cut out of a district that I have served for many years. Based on the new census data, my district only needed to lose seven hundred people. I do not feel that the new map serves the interests of the people of my district or the City of Fort Smith. The proposed changes will only serve to anger these citizens. Surely, there is a better way to make this change than what has been proposed, and I urge you to do so.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denny Altes".

Denny Altes  
State Representative  
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Mayor Doug Sprouse

June 3, 2011

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Dear Mr. Woodson, Jr.,

I am writing concerning the Senate redistricting process that is ongoing at this time. First of all, I want to thank you for all the time and effort you've committed toward this massive undertaking. I want you to know that I have complete confidence that everyone involved in the decision-making process will ultimately make your decisions based on what you believe is best for the citizens of our state.

As Mayor of the City of Springdale, I would like to take this opportunity to voice our city's support for the senate redistricting map labeled "May 4 Version Senate Northwest". I share the concerns of several Springdale residents that are troubled by what we've seen proposed on some maps that may be considered. I'm troubled by the possibility that the city of Springdale could be carved up into three or four pieces that would simply be used as "filler" for other State Senate Districts. The result of the 2010 Census shows that Springdale is now a city of approximately 70,000 people. We have grown by over 50% in the last 10 years. That increase translates to 24,000 people; by far the largest numeric growth in the state.

As the 4<sup>th</sup> largest city in our state, a State Senate District, composed primarily of the city of Springdale seems to make sense. I believe the preferred map accomplishes this, along with adding the surrounding communities of Tontitown, Elm Springs, and Johnson. Our communities share many common interests and concerns. We also share the Springdale School District, and water service boundaries.

Not only do I believe this option is best for Springdale and our surrounding communities, but it makes the most sense for Northwest Arkansas as well. It keeps communities of common interest intact, which aids any Senator in advocating for the needs of his/her district. This map also reduces confusion and allows constituents to more easily identify the Senator responsible for representing their interests in Little Rock.



Finally, of all the maps that have been floating around as possibilities, the May 4 Version Senate Northwest map clearly adheres most closely to the redistricting criteria set forth by the courts.

I want to thank you again for the work you have already done during this difficult and complicated process. As always, if there is anything I can do to help in any way; please do not hesitate to contact my office. You have a standing invitation to join my wife Sandy and me at a Nationals game any time you can work it into your busy schedule. I've got the best seats in the house, right behind the first base dugout. Or, if you prefer, I'm sure we can make arrangements for a box. Just let me know. Again, I appreciate your consideration of the May 4 Version Senate Northwest map, and ask for your support of that version.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Sprouse". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Doug Sprouse  
Mayor

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June 6, 2011

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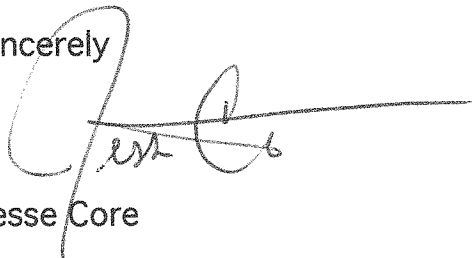
I am writing to indicate my endorsement of the map named May 4 version on the Arkansas Redistricting website. I feel that the whole of Springdale should remain within a single senate district. Northern Washington County has grown incredibly in the last decade due to the commitment to progress shown by the communities of Elm Springs, Tontitown, Johnson and Springdale working in unison. As a former Springdale city councilman and business owner I feel it is important to keep this community of neighbors unified in senate representation.

In other maps that have been making the rounds, the city of Springdale could end up being split as many as four ways in four diverse state senate districts. No other town in Northwest Arkansas is under the threat of being divided four ways and being represented by four different, often inconsistent, philosophies.

It is also possible that out of the four districts that could share Springdale, there may not be a single state senator who resides anywhere near Springdale. This does not seem to be a logical outcome of the current redistricting process.

I want to thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts on this historic event and also for all of the hard work you have provided to this effort. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely

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Jesse Core

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*Roberta Peters*  
*City Council Alderman - City of Elm Springs*  
*334 Scarlett Blvd*  
*Springdale, AR 72762*