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10/05/2021

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County of Fresno

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October 4, 2021

TO: Fresno County Redistricting Advisory Committee

FROM: Planned Parenthood Mar Monte

RE: SUPPORT EQUITY COALITION MAP FRESNO COUNTY BOS

My name is Socorro Santillan, Regional Director of Public Affairs for Planned Parenthood Mar Monte (PPMM)

PPMM operates two health care centers in the City of Fresno, one Regional Administrative office and a Call Response Center in Clovis. Our Fulton Street Health Center originally opened on Van Ness Ave in District 3 in 1971 before moving to Fulton Street. The original site serves as the organizations Regional Administrative & Education site. Both remain in District 3, employs **37 fulltime employees** (FTEs), and served over **12,000 unduplicated patients** in fiscal year 2021 (FY21).

Our Family First health center is located in District 2 and served over **9,000** unduplicated patients in FY21, and employs **27 FTE**. Nearby in Clovis, District 5, is the PPMM Call Response Center which employs **73 FTE** whose Response Agents assisted with over 1 million calls for appointments or questions in 2020.

Of our **21,000+** patients in Fresno County, **75% live below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level, 71% are between the ages of 20-34** and **76% identify as non-white**. Patients served in Fresno are representative of all BOS Districts, and depending on where they live, Fresno County patients are also served at our Madera, Visalia, and even our Merced & Gilroy health centers. Services provided to residents outside of the county is often due to geographical proximity to their homes, work or college. It is also important to note that because of electronic health records, **and telemedicine** we are able to provide seamless, quality care for patients living in rural communities. It is important to note that rural residents often face limited access to health care due to a lack of public transportation and/or broadband internet connection due to cost or limited coverage.

PPMM has reviewed maps proposed by the two maps proposed by the Equity Map Coalition and the Fresno Inclusive Families for Supervisor district boundaries. We found both to be in compliance with the California Fair Map Act and thoughtfully drawn, however we feel strongly the Equity Coalition's Map makes more sense based on our experience with the Coalition. It makes sense with districts that are compact, easily understandable and best represents communities of interest and the Voting Rights Act.

We particularly endorse the Equity Coalition's grouping of communities of interest and the division of the rural areas on the Eastside and the Westside of the County, at Highway 41. There are significant differences between these two areas, and each deserves to have its own, dedicated representative. We feel it is notable that the entire Westside is kept whole for the first time, including the area served by West Hills College, Westlands Water District, and Fresno County Rural Transit's Westside routes.

PPMM strongly believes that including Southeast Fresno with the rural towns in District 4 makes perfect sense, since they are bound together by work, family, ethnicity and income levels, and collectively face the similar economic challenges and living conditions.

We enthusiastically support Clovis having its own Supervisor, based on the new growth in the foothill and mountain areas. We support the logical decision to establish Willow Avenue as the border between the cities of Fresno and Clovis, and also between Districts 2 and 5, respectively.

Finally, the proposed districts for Central Fresno and North Fresno group together communities of interest. Central District 3 is largely preserved, along with established neighborhoods of working class and low-income residents. And the North Fresno District 2 uses well understood boundaries like the San Joaquin River and Highway 99.

We know Fresno County, the sixth largest County by geography in California, is diverse in its residents, industry/business and geographical characteristics. This map will ensure our Board of Supervisors represents distinct regions of our County, and will result in policy, programmatic and funding decisions that will benefit all residents of Fresno County.

We believe the proposed Equity Coalition Map is compliant with the mandates of the California Fair Map Act, and best represents the demographic shifts that have happened over the last two decades. It is imperative that the Supervisor map in 2021 reflects these shifts and recognizes communities of interest.

For all of the aforementioned reasons, and many more, we strongly urge you to seriously consider the proposed Equity Coalition Map.

Respectfully,

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