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Chairman, Committee on Education

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Honorable Stephen H. Archambault
Honorable Robert D. Phillips
Co-Chairmen, Reapportionment Commission

Dear Chairmen and Commission Members:

I would like to respectfully request that Pawtuxet Village remain as one unified Representative District (currently District 19). The Village is comprised of sections that are in Warwick and Cranston. Currently the only elected official who represents the entire Village is the 19th district State Representative. It is extremely important that the issues relating to the entire Village have at least one elected official who can address issues such as traffic, zoning, road construction projects and small business issues. Pawtuxet Village is a historic site that will be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the burning of the Gaspee and the birth of our nation next spring. The Village will also be involved in one of the largest construction projects in the history of the Village, the historic reconstruction of the bridge over the Pawtuxet River which connects the Warwick and Cranston sides. It is for these reasons that I respectfully request unified representation for the entire Village.

I would respectfully request that this letter be read into the record. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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