

December 21, 2021

City of National City
Mayor Alejandra Sotelo, Solis and
Member of City Council
1243 National City Boulevard
National City, CA 91950

**Re: Request to Implement District Voting under the California Voting Rights Act
Agenda Item #3**

Mayor and City Council,


I am a business and property owner in in the City of National City, including the Market on 8th recently. I ask that you adopt a resolution to transition from at-large to district based elections as soon as possible.

I believe the City's at-large elections have resulted in vote-dilution and political disempowerment for my Filipino-American community. We have been denied the community the fair opportunity to just influence the outcome of an election for decades.

At-large elections also has an adverse impact on a variety of communities of interest. For example, it does not result in representatives being elected from different geographic regions of the City. This could result a majority of council residing from the same neighborhood and focusing on the needs of that particular neighborhood.

The transition now would also save the City the costs of litigation when the City has important other needs.

Respectfully,



Joel Tubao