

The City of Berwyn



Ruth E. Siaba Green
City Administrator

A Century of Progress with Pride

Date: 6/11/2021

To: Board of Commissioners of Cook County

Re: 2020 Census Redistricting Committee

Esteemed Board of Commissioners,

My name is Ruth Siaba-Green, City Administrator for the City of Berwyn.

On behalf of the City of Berwyn, of the Administration of Mayor Robert J. Lovero, please accept the following testimony to formally request our City continue to maintain one sole commissioner for the 16th district of Cook County in order to preserve continuity, stability, and equitable representation.

Currently, 16th District Commissioner Frank J. Aguilar excellently represents our district and has done so with responsiveness to the needs of the municipality and all its residents.

For the past decade, our city has greatly benefited from having a sole commissioner and any disruption to this effective government partnership could have a detrimental impact on our community.

Our city is comprised of approximately 54,000 people with 64.7% of our population identifying as Hispanic or Latino, and 27.3% identified as foreign-born, with a significant portion of Spanish-speaking residents, a population trend that continues to grow.

In closing, we strongly assert that maintaining one sole commissioner, one who reflects our current population, as Commissioner Frank J. Aguilar does, will continue to advance our city and improve the quality of life for every resident in our city.

Thank you to the Board President and members for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

Sincerely,

Ruth E. Siaba Green, City Administrator