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Good morning or Afternoon,

Chairwoman Sims, Vice-Chair Silvestri, and the 2020 Census Redistricting Committee. I want to thank the committee for the opportunity to speak on the redistricting process.

My name is Roni Facen, I am the Principal and CEO of St. Francis de Sales High School located in at 10155 S Ewing on the South East Side. I'm speaking today to provide the 2020 Census Redistricting Committee my rationale on why the 4<sup>th</sup> District of Cook County should focus on sustainability, equity in population, social economic status, and community resources.

My current Commissioner Stanley Moore has maintained an ongoing positive relationship with his constituents.

Commissioner Moore has been a strong and sincere advocate for equity, economic development, social services, public safety, and affordable housing. Commissioner Moore has provided an environment of fairness for the community residents, partner organizations and educational institutions within the 4<sup>th</sup> district, to have a viable voice in developing resources and programs. Commissioner Moore has been helpful, and supportive-of-me and many of the residents in the 4<sup>th</sup> district.

My request is for the 2020 Redistricting Committee to keep the 4 District with one Commissioner. If the committee divides the district it will destroy the community connection. My community of the Southeast side is a community with a strong powerful voice, but the Southeast Side is still disenfranchised and marginalize. We continue to be plagued with violence, lack of equitable education, housing, and employment. We need to make sure our community has the sustainability, equity, population, and resources so the people in Southeast Side can continue to organize together, meet and continue to work with Commissioner Stanley Moore who has been a helping hand and leader.

I ask that the 2020 Redistricting Committee to make sure that the committee truly partner with the Southeast Side in designing of the maps. Communities of color have a history of being told one thing and are shown something else. This process is a great opportunity for government and my community to truly continue to build an environment of trust, voice, and equity.

Commissioner Stanley Moore has led the groundwork in building a partnership with the community, I ask the committee to allow us to keep building upon our partnership.

I want to thank the 2020 Redistricting Committee for the opportunity to speak.

Thank you!