Date: April 6, 2022, 10:56 pm

First Name: Anna

Last Name: Brawley

Group Affiliation, if applicable: Anchorage, AK Resident (Turnagain Neighborhood)

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: N/A

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Anna suggested that if the board considers any House district changes, House districts 14 and 16 should be paired together because West Anchorage and Midtown Anchorage have a fair amount of continuity. Northern Lights Blvd also connects the two districts. Spenard and Turnagain are similar neighborhoods with similar interests.

A website response from the Map Comment form as been received with the following submission details.

Date: April 6, 2022, 10:59 pm

First Name: Kasey

Last Name: Casort

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Fairbanks

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony (Call In)

Public Comment: Kasey urged the board to adopt the Senate pairings proposed by Member Bahnke and would like to see the redistricting process quickly and constitutionally completed soon.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:03 pm

First Name: Nicky

Last Name: Eiseman

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Ester

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Nicky urged the board to adopt the Senate pairings suggested by Member Bahnke and would like the process to be done as soon as possible. Regarding the error of including Goldstream Valley residents in its current district, the residents are largely urban in nature and drive to work in Fairbanks everyday. They also play there; any other characterization is false. All testimony of Goldstream Valley supported the area being included with the Fairbanks district.

Nicky revisited the evening at the Carlson Center where public testimony was last taken where Nicky watched several people "being grilled" by board memberse; this resulted in her decision not to testify as she'd intended.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:09 pm

First Name: Carolyn

Last Name: Cliff

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Carolyn lives in the new District 21 which borders Districts 20-J, 19-J, and 12-F. District 22-K is also grouped with District 21. Map 1 does not show a population area in their district because it's all on Elmendorf AFB. There is also no way to get from her district to Eagle River without traveling through 2 other districts. Carolyn's district and Eagle River are not contiguous or socioeconomically integrated.

Carolyn expressed support for Member Bahnke's proposed maps (no details specified).

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:22 pm

First Name: Luke

Last Name: Hopkins

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Fairbanks

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: In the last redistricting cycle, the board's decision to place then-District 38 of Fairbanks North Star Borough all the way to the west coast of Alaska. There were objections to this board decision and court action found that its boundaries did not mean the constitutional requirements.

Luke Hopkins has opposed and continues to oppose the board's action to place Goldstream Valley residents in a district that is non-contiguous, non-compact, and has little to no socioeconomic integration to the communities that are now in the House District 36.

Many Goldstream residents report back to the local government where their schools, libraries, and churches are, and for Luke, the other communities in District 36 can only be reached by plane.

Luke hopes the board will remove District 36 from the Cantwell appendage.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:26 pm

First Name: Elyse

Last Name: Guttenberg

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Fairbanks

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Elyse expressed concern about Goldstream Valley being placed in District 36 which places a suburban neighborhood with deep ties to Fairbanks into a rural district. Many Goldstream Valley residents attend or work at the university which is not a far drive. They also live, work, shop, and vote in Fairbanks. The Cantwell appendage creates a non-compact district that is unconstitutional and is not socioeconomically integrated. Like Cantwell, Goldstream Valley was gerrymandered.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:28 pm

First Name: Bernie

Last Name: Hoffman

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Fairbanks

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Bernie opposed the placement of Goldstream Valley into the rural district area. Goldstream is being treated like Cantwell and Bernie understands this is not being done properly per the Alaska Supreme Court. This seems unfair. Bernie asked the board to please consider Goldstream and Member Bahnke's proposed plan to come up with new pairings and get the new elections going.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:41 pm

First Name: Mike

Last Name: Edgington

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Girdwood

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Mike Edgington thanked the board for creating a cohesive District 9 and went on to testify on the Senate pairings from his perspective on the southern part of Anchorage. At the November 8th meeting, Mike recalled Member Bahnke suggesting Senate pairings that paired Districts 9 and 11 together. Through discussions with his community that same evening, this pairing generally had wide local support and Mike was surprised to see a different pairing the following morning: House District 9 (rural) and District 10 (suburban).

Mike testified in favor of pairing Districts 9 and 11 that combine the southern parts (Hillside, Bear Valley, Glen Alps) with Whittier/Girdwood/Turnagain Arm. Mike also spoke in favor of pairing House Districts 22 and 24.

Mike strongly opposed pairing House District 9 (Turnagain Arm) with House District 22 (Eagle River) because these districts are non-contiguous due to the separation of the two districts by the Chugach Mountains.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:48 pm

First Name: David

Last Name: Guttenberg

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Fairbanks

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: David referred to the 2012 redistricting process where Goldstream Valley was placed in a rural district stretching out to the coast; this was declared unconstitutional and was changed. During the current process, the board has placed Goldstream Valley in a rural district contrary to the resolution adopted by the Fairbanks North Star Borough Assembly. This resolution was misrepresented by the board and David urged the board to fix this issue simply by doing so in the interior.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:54 pm

First Name: Jamie

Last Name: Rodriguez

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Jamie Rodriguez testified in favor of the "second to the left" Senate pairings that were presented by Member Bahnke. These pairings have already been considered on the record, takes into account the public testimony, makes sense geographically, upholds the idea of "one person, one vote", is socioeconomically integrated, does not affect the deviation, keeps Muldoon, West Anchorage, Hillside, and Eagle River together.

The board needs to act immediately and comply with the court's requirements to make the maps legal and minimize costs and time. It is in the public's interest to adopt legal maps that check all constitutional requirements as proposed by Member Bahnke.

Date: April 6, 2022, 11:58 pm

First Name: Karen

Last Name: Williams

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: East Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: East Anchorage is diverse and pairing an East Anchorage district with a South Anchorage or an Eagle River district is unfair and does not allow the diverse community to have accurate representation. It is important for the community to elect a Senator that understands the community's needs. Karen testified in support of the Senate pairings proposed by Member Bahnke.

Date: April 7, 2022, 12:02 am

First Name: Rich

Last Name: Curtner

Group Affiliation, if applicable: Alaska Black Caucus

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: The Alaska Black Caucus is in support of pairing House Districts 20 (North and South Muldoon) in District K. Doing so is the simplest and best solution and should be done as soon as possible.

Date: April 7, 2022, 12:04 am

First Name: Kay

Last Name: Brown

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Kay urged the board to follow the Alaska Supreme Court's directions as expeditiously as possible. The court's directions are very straightforward and can be done quickly. This process needs to be completed as soon as possible as it negatively impacts elections, giving everyone uncertainty.

Date: April 7, 2022, 9:20 am

First Name: **Benny**

Last Name: Wells

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Benny testified against the Goldstream Valley placement, the Cantwell finger, and the Senate pairings in Anchorage, particularly the Eagle River/Muldoon and North Muldoon/U-Med District). Encouraged to use the pairings proposed by Member Bahnke as they are consistent with the testimony given by the public. There were several testimonies also given from the Hillside and Eagle River communities asking the board not to pair these two communities. Benny suggested pairing Districts 9 and 11 and Districts 14 and 16.

Date: April 7, 2022, 9:28 am

First Name: Yarrow

Last Name: Silvers

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Yarrow requested that the board redo the Senate pairings without delay so Alaskans can vote from a fully constitutional map. Yarrow spoke in support of the Senate pairings proposed by Member Bahnke as they would fix the constitutional errors, has broad public support, and respects communities. The pairings also keeps Eagle River as one community, Muldoon as one community, connects the U-Med and Airport Heights areas, and reconnects the north and south sides of 4th Avenue in downtown.

Yarrow asked the board to develop a truncation process that is transparent and random. Yarrow stated that the public's trust in the board was broken because the board stated that no members were knowledgeable about incumbent information when at least two members looked at and discussed the information on camera before voting. Additionally, the action on the South Anchorage pairing was done without discussion or reasoning as to why it was split apart at the last minute, making it seem as though someone reviewed political data the night before and decided the new pairing gave a partisan advantage.

Yarrow asked that the board follow the Alaska state constitution which does not allow politically based mapping, and asked board members attending public sessions virtually to turn on their cameras.

Date: April 7, 2022, 9:33 am

First Name: Chris

Last Name: Stern

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: East Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Chris noted that the board should group based on communities as it is a relevant data point to be used in the redistricting process. Chris urged the board to quickly complete the adoption of the Senate pairings put forward by Member Bahnke; there is no need to begin a new map.

Date: April 7, 2022, 9:34 am

First Name: Candace

Last Name: Oxford

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: South Muldoon - Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Candace spoke against South Muldoon being paired with Eagle River to give more representation to Eagle River; this is undemocratic and unfair to the Muldoon community. Candace implored the board to adopt Member Bahnke's maps before the next election.

Date: April 7, 2022, 9:52 am

First Name: Joelle

Last Name: Hall

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: The board has an opportunity to repair the Senate pairings to fulfill their duty to Alaskans. There is no reason to delay the process with Member Bahnke's proposed Senate pairings on the record which gives the board the ability to swiftly complete the process. There has been public concern about the board's decision to present maps to the public for final consideration that did not include Senate pairings; the judge also called this out. This meeting could have been avoidable with all of the public testimony already given to the board.

Date: April 7, 2022, 9:55 am

First Name: George

Last Name: Martinez

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: East Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: George testified on behalf of himself, but also noted that he is one of the plaintiffs in the East Anchorage lawsuit. Written testimony has been submitted on behalf of himself and the other plaintiffs, too. George hopes the board will consider that detailed testimony. George urged the board to move expeditiously and effectively to take the direction given by the courts and to consider the cost of this process to taxpayers and the erosion of the public's trust.

Date: April 7, 2022, 10:07 am

First Name: Bruce

Last Name: Farnsworth

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: The pairings adopted by the board only make sense if the goal is to water down the votes of eastside residents in Anchorage. To see the socioeconomic similarities, one would only need to drive from North to South Muldoon; there is no significant change and a working-class neighborhood that is very different from Eagle River. Bruce urged the board to adopt the Senate pairings proposed by Member Bahnke.

Date: April 7, 2022, 10:14 am

First Name: Matt

Last Name: Claman

Group Affiliation, if applicable: House of Representatives - State of Alaska

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: The Trial Court was specific about criticizing the board for not announcing the Senate pairings that were under consideration. The court's opinion makes it very clear that the board needs to publicly say what else is being considered and announce it in a manner that gives time for public comment. The window of time to propose a new map and obtain public comment is very limited.

Rep. Claman recommended that the board look at the affidavit from Chase Hensell who testified on behalf of East Anchorage plaintiffs; this affadavit gives detailed explanation into how North and South Muldoon are a single community of interest and how Eagle River and Chugiak are a single community of interest. The Hensell proposal notes that Chugiak-Eagle River is a single community of interest because it is the only community that has their own volunteer fire department, the municipal parks and funding are managed differently than the Municipality of Anchorage, and Chugiak-Eagle River has many residents who see themselves as a unified community separate from the rest of Anchorage.

Rep. Claman urged the board to adopt the pairings proposed by Member Bahnke.

Date: April 7, 2022, 10:25 am

First Name: Celeste

Last Name: Hodge Growden

Group Affiliation, if applicable: Alaska Black Caucus

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Celeste echoes the comments shared by Rich Curtner from the Alaska Black Caucus (ABC). ABC does not have permanent friends or enemies, what they do have is permanent interest. The main interest is championing the lives of black and BIPOC communities. At every turn, unfortunately, they have to fight for justice in economics, education, and health. Now, they are fighting for justice in redistricting. This is exhausting, old, and must stop.

Celeste urged the board to follow the court's direction now, not tomorrow or several days from now.

Date: April 7, 2022, 10:32 am

First Name: David

Last Name: Dunsmore

Group Affiliation, if applicable: AFFR

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: AFFR met and reviewed the Superior and Supreme Courts' decisions and determined that the pairings proposed by Member Bahnke are the fairest pairings to address the concerns raised by the Supreme Court. The board has the opportunity to quickly make changes.

The following Senate pairings by Member Bahnke are supported for the following reasons:

- Districts 22 and 24: This is most logical.
- Districts 20 and 21: Muldoon area is an integrated community of interest.
- Districts 18 and 19: Keeps 2 Senate districts in East Anchorage.
- Districts 23 and 17: Keeps the historic neighborhoods of Downtown and Gov't Hill in the same Senate district.
- Districts 16 and 14: Keeps Spenard and Turnagain in the same district, often referred to as "Spenardagain" as it's looked at as one community
- Districts 13 and 12: Creates a midtown residential core district rather than splitting these communities into South Anchorage
- Districts 15 and 10: Keeps Southport, Bay Shore, and Klatt in one district and allows the pairing of Districts of 11 and 9, which the board had reached consensus on at one point in the process to keep the hillside in one district.

Date: April 7, 2022, 12:47 pm

First Name: Liz

Last Name: Medicine Crow

Group Affiliation, if applicable: President/CEO, First Alaskans Institute

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Kéex' KwÃ;an

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Liz expressed appreciation for the testimonies given by the Alaska Black Caucus and encouraged the board to follow the court's directions immediately without delaying the process and voters during elections.

Liz testified in favor of the East Anchorage Senate pairings proposed by Member Bahnke that have already been vetted and do not diminish the population over the deviations that were already outlined.

Date: April 7, 2022, 12:52 pm

First Name: Susan

Last Name: Fischetti

Group Affiliation, if applicable:

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Eagle River

Board Meeting: 4/2/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Over the last 40 years, the Eagle River population has more than doubled and has always been represented by 2 senators. Randy Phillips once represented Muldoon in Eagle River in the 80s and 90s - he did well and this worked fine. He attended community council meetings and supported schools and businesses, and East Anchorage as a whole. In 2000, they were paired with Hillside all the way to Hope, posing a "geographical nightmare". Past senators tried to represent Eagle River but never connected to what was important to the community in Eagle River.

Now, Chugiak and Eagle River each have their own Senator and there have been no complaints. Eagle River is adjacent to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson and many Chugiak residents are in the military.

Date: April 7, 2022, 1:14 pm

First Name: Randy

Last Name: Ruedrich

Group Affiliation, if applicable: AFFER

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/4/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Randy will be offering an alternate Senate district pairing map that preserves 3 of the existing districts: Senate Districts F-11 F-12, Senate Districts H-15 and H-16, and Senate Districts L-23 and L-24). They are now looking at a highlands district for East Anchorage.

Randy will return on April 5th to continue this testimony.

Date: April 7, 2022, 1:19 pm

First Name: Susan

Last Name: Fischetti

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Eagle River

Board Meeting: 4/4/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Susan agrees with Member Simpson that the board should allow more time to conduct this process the right way. On the April 4, 2022 ARB meeting, it became clear to Susan that the Senate pairings proposed by Member Bahnke are partisan gerrymandering and should not be adopted. The one-sided testimony on Saturday that the Bahnke pairings have been secretly orchestrated.

On April 4, 2022, Susan testified that the pairing of Eagle River with East Anchorage should be approved because it has been done before. Now that the judge has taken that option off the table to finalize a plan, Susan is now urging the board to pair Eagle River with South Hillside which has also been done previously. The two communities share the same socioeconomic profiles with local road services areas, wildfire and wildlife issues, avalanche, and public safety concerns. Additionally, you can't get to Chugiak-Eagle River without driving through Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson and many active-duty military and veterans live in Chugiak-Eagle River; it makes sense for these two communities to be paired together.

Date: April 7, 2022, 1:24 pm

First Name: Jamie

Last Name: Allard

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Eagle River

Board Meeting: 4/4/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Jamie testified against the "Bahnke plan" as it is clearly partisan in its current form, politically unbalanced and unfair, and does not accurately represent the people of Eagle River and Anchorage. The board re-evaluates the timeframe and gives enough time to have public input and produce a non-partisan plan that also incorporates the voices of constituents. The process needs to be fair to all, not just a small group of individuals, and Eagle River's voice deserves to be a part of the plan.

Jamie noted that on April 5th, 140 people were unable to testify due to the emergency declaration from the avalanche on Hiland Road. To not hear from these families is unreasonable.

Jamie urged the board to slow the process down. Pushing the process to be done by April 5th is gerrymandering.

Date: April 7, 2022, 1:28 pm

First Name: David

Last Name: Dunsmore

Group Affiliation, if applicable: AFFR

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/4/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: In reviewing the court decision, the phrase the court used regarding the "Bahnke plan" was loud and clear that Member Bahnke's pairings had clear public support - the board should consider this. The court has also acknowledged the board is aware of the public's support for these pairings.

AFFR also participated in the municipal election process and one other municipal redistricting process. One issue that came up was that Chugiak-Eagle River did not have the population to meet the full ideal Assembly district. David thanked Assemblywoman Allard for her advocacy in keeping her community whole and intact.

Date: April 7, 2022, 1:29 pm

First Name: Yarrow

Last Name: Silvers

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/4/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: Yarrow noted that it is not gerrymandering to keep communities together. When you split communities apart for political purposes, that is gerrymandering. Yarrow encouraged the board to review the testimonies from the recent reapportionment and look at what happened when the Municipality tried to pair Eagle River and South Anchorage. Eagle River belongs together - this was spoken loud and clear when they attempted this in the past. Jamie Allard had also stated this on the record.

Date: April 7, 2022, 1:32 pm

First Name: **Denny**

Last Name: Wells

Group Affiliation, if applicable: N/A

Email or Phone Contact: N/A

Your ZIP Code: Anchorage

Board Meeting: 4/4/2022 ARB Meeting Verbal Public Testimony

Public Comment: There has been substantial testimony from Hillside and Eagle River that pairing these two communities was not a good pairing. Eagle River should be kept as one.