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Name: Brian Lynch

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Mr. Lynch spoke in favor of the Senate Minority Caucus map's proposed District 35-R as it makes most sense for Petersburg to be connected to Sitka.

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Name: Malena Marvin			

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Ms. Marvin spoke in favor of the Senate Minority Caucus map's proposed District 35-R for the following reasons:

- 1. It is good to maintain continuity as the districts are right now. There are not any significant injustices to the way the district is currently mapped.
- 2. Petersburg is closest to the Wrangell community in terms of travel, school, etc.
- 3. It makes sense to keep the small and mid-size communities (i.e. Petersburg, Sitka, Wrangell, Kake) together as they have similar needs from state government. Economically, these islands are similar (logging, fishing).
- 4. Petersburg is against cruise ships, and it would not make sense to pair Petersburg with Ketchikan or Juneau where it is heavily dependent on cruise ships as economic drivers.
- 5. Petersburg tends to do more travel and business with Sitka and Prince of Wales than they do with Juneau or Ketchikan through the fishing industry.

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Name: Molly Taiber

Group Affiliation, if applicable: PSG Borough

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Ms. Taiber spoke in favor of District 35-R [Senate Minority Map] for the reasons that have been stated by Ms. Marvin.

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Name: Chelsea Trembley

Group Affiliation, if applicable: Petersburg Borough Assembly

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Ms. Trembley reaffirmed the support for the Senate Minority Caucus map's proposed District 35-R as it makes the most sense for their region and ensures that the needs of the community are well-represented. Ms. Trembley expressed worry that the other proposed maps would disproportionately represent Petersburg as a smaller community in relation to larger areas.

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