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December 2, 2013

Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler City of Fort Lauderdale 100 North Andrews Avenue Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301



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Dear Mayor Seiler;

I regret I will be unable to attend the December 3rd City Commission Meeting; I have a prior engagement at the Seminary. However, please allow me to state for the record my concerns from the November 19, 2013 City Commission Meeting on item PH-1-Reapportionment.

I respectfully urge the Commission to pass item PH-1 as recommended by staff and the Reapportionment Committee. To deviate from the recommendation due to a neighborhood annexation that occurred after the submission of the recommendation to the Commission is a very slippery slope. Again, I reiterate that this neighborhood will benefit from an added Commissioner and second voice on the Commission. As to the concern of future residential projects in the annexed area, this can and will be addressed by the next U.S. Census and reapportionment effort.

Mayor, you stated at the November 19th meeting, that you believe that the elected officials should stay out the process, and supported the formation of the citizen committee to submit a recommendation to the City Commission. This item as presented by staff is the recommendation of the Reapportionment Committee, I urge the City Commission to pass this item as it is presented.

Please allow me to thank you and the Commission for allowing me to serve on the Committee; it was both my honor and a privilege.

Sincerely,

D. Ryan Saunders

Chairman

City of Fort Lauderdale Reapportionment Committee

CC: City Commission

City Manager City Clerk