



April 27, 2016

Senator Ron Alting  
Senator Brandt Hershman  
Representative Sharon Negele  
Representative Don Lehe  
Representative Randy Truitt  
Representative Sheila Klinker  
Representative Tim Brown

RE: Redistricting

Dear Members of the Tippecanoe County Delegation,


The LUM organization is keenly interested in how the reapportionment process in Indiana will be decided following the next census. We are concerned that the current method of drawing districts inhibits equal representation, creates distortion, and discourages competition.

We thought it would be timely to contact you since the Special Interim Study Committee on Redistricting will be meeting for the second time on Thursday, May 5, 2016. We trust that you are following the testimony being offered and would appreciate receiving updates from your office. We would also ask that you offer encouragement and make available whatever resources are needed for the study committee to make a studied recommendation by the statutory deadline of December 1st. While we appreciate the deliberation being given to this issue, we join the Lafayette City Council, West Lafayette City Council, and Tippecanoe County

Board of Commissioners in urging our legislators to support “a citizens-led commission that represents the state’s diversity, partisan balance, and geography to draw the lines of the State Senate, State House of Representatives as well as congressional districts.”

We would ask that you note our interest in this matter and would appreciate receiving a response.

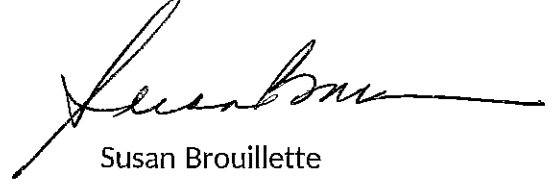
Sincerely,



Joe Micon  
Executive Director

Enclosure

Sincerely,



Susan Brouillette  
Program Director