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Dear Presiding Officer and Commissioners,

We, the undersigned (being all of the) members of the Lewis and Clark County Commission want to thank you for your work in trying to arrive at a reasonable way to divide our great state into two Congressional districts for the first time in 30 years.

We understand that there are some alternatives that would divide our County into two pieces, with part going to each Congressional district. Please do not divide Lewis and Clark County.

Some proposals would split the City of Helena away from the Helena Valley. Since most of the people who live in the Helena Valley, work in the City of Helena, we cannot imagine the logic that would prevent thousands of our Lewis and Clark County residents from voting in a Congressional district where they spend half of their waking hours. This idea certainly must violate the principle of common interest.

We understand that former Senator Max Baucus, former Governor Marc Racicot, and former Secretary of State Bob Brown have written letters opposing the idea of splitting counties and we heartily agree.

Please do not divide Lewis and Clark County.

Sincerely,

Lewis and Clark County
Board of Commissioners

Andy Hunthausen, Chair

Jim McCormick, Vice Chair

Tom Rolfe, Member