

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

In the matter of:

Resolution No. _____

PROPOSITION 50

I, NANCY ANDERSON, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, State of California, certify that the following resolution, on motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern at a regular meeting on the ____ day of _____, 20__, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

NANCY ANDERSON
County Administrative Officer
Clerk of the Board

Deputy Clerk

RESOLUTION

Section 1. WHEREAS:

(a) In November 2008, voters approved Proposition 11, the Voters First Act, which authorized the creation of a new 14-member Citizens Redistricting Commission responsible for drawing the district lines for the State Senate, Assembly, and State Board of Equalization; and

(b) The Voters First Act for Congress (Proposition 20) was approved by voters in November 2010 to add the responsibility of drawing congressional districts to the 14-member Citizens Redistricting Commission; and

(c) In 2022 Assembly Bill 2494 (Salas) established the independent Citizens Redistricting Commission in the County of Kern for the purposes of drawing supervisorial districts following each decennial federal census; and

(d) Proposition 50 would amend the California Constitution to allow the state to use a new, legislature-drawn congressional district map from 2026 through 2030; and

(e) The proposed map would replace existing maps, which the 14-member Citizens Redistricting Commission adopted on December 27, 2021 for elections from 2022 through 2030; and

(f) Proposition 50 would revert authority to redraw congressional districts to the 14-member Citizens Redistricting Commission beginning in 2031; and

(g) The cost to taxpayers to place Proposition 50 on the November 4, 2025 special election ballot is just over \$251.3 million per the California Department of Finance; and

(h) The cost to the County of Kern elections division is estimated to be \$3.18 million to administer the special election in November 2025.

Section 2. IT IS RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Kern, State of California, as follows:

1. This Board expresses its strong opposition to Proposition 50 due to the wasteful expenditure of taxpayer dollars at a time when the state is dealing with historic deficits and for the dangerous precedent the measure will set by usurping constitutional protections that ultimately deny the will of the people to utilize independent redistricting commissions to draw fair, non-partisan, and equity-driven district lines.

2. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall transmit copies of this to the following:

Kern County Counsel
Kern County Elections

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