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| **Subject:**  | [Latfor-info] AALDEF Adjustments to Proposed SD16 and SD11 |
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Please find attached the block equivalency file for AALDEF’s adjustments to LATFOR’s proposed Senate District 16 and Senate District 11.  As you know, AALDEF, along with its partners, submitted a complete senate plan for New York City as part of the Unity Plan, which included an Asian American majority senate district that included the entirety of Flushing and Bayside.  AALDEF believes that the Unity Plan represents the best district configuration that keeps communities of interest together and should thus, be adopted by LATFOR.  However, recognizing that LATFOR will not adopt the Unity Plan configuration for their New York State Senate proposal, AALDEF submits the attached adjustments to LATFOR’s proposed SD16 and SD11, which represents the minimum level of alteration to the proposal, which would improve SD16 to include more of the Asian American community of interest in Flushing.

Thank you for considering these proposed adjustments.

Regards,

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