

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Village of Menands, Albany County, is a relatively small, close knit community with needs, concerns and interests that are unique to its community and distinctly different from those of neighboring municipalities.

The proposal to split the Village of Menands into two separate legislative districts, one of which would include part of another markedly different municipality is legislatively illogical and not in the best interests of the residents of either municipality. Doing so also appears to run afoul of the commission's own guidelines.

Among the other small village districts in Albany County none are apparently on a chopping block.

In the interest of legislative efficiency the Village of Menands should not be divided and commingled.

Respectfully submitted,

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