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Subject: St. Albert Electoral District

Dear Sir / Madam

Please be advised that it is the intent of the St. Albert Progressive Conservative Association to make a submission to the Electoral Boundaries Commission at the Westlock public hearing on Thursday, October 8th.

Please let us know when our prepared submission must be filed to comply with the rules of the Commission and when and where we are to appear to make our submission.

Yours truly
Barry Breadner
President
St. Albert PC Association

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St. Albert
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September 28, 2009

Honourable Judge Ernest J.M. Walter, Chairman
Electoral Boundaries Commission
100, 11510 Kingsway Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
Canada T5G 2Y5

Dear Judge Walter and Members of the Commission;

Subject: St. Albert Electoral Boundaries

The St. Albert Progressive Conservative Association has reviewed the criteria provided to the Commission in establishing electoral boundaries for 87 constituencies in the Province of Alberta.

We have also reviewed the population data provided by the Commission; the current electoral boundaries of the St. Albert riding and consulted with our members.

We have paid particular attention to the commission's request to: **(1) be concise and factual and (2) render "..... advice on any places where you think the existing boundaries slice up natural communities of interest; don't respect natural boundaries, like rivers; include areas which have little in common and make suggestions on how these or other concerns regarding the boundaries might be corrected..."**

Observations:

1. An analysis of the data shows the City of St. Albert lacks sufficient population to warrant the establishment of two provincial constituencies whose boundaries are coterminous with the City's municipal boundaries.
2. The decision at the time of the last boundary review to maintain one purely urban constituency that falls wholly within St. Albert's municipal boundaries and a rural-urban constituency that encompasses the City of St. Albert, the County of Sturgeon and the City of Spruce Grove has been shown to be workable and effective
3. The current boundaries of the St. Albert Constituency are well defined. Most of the City is included with the exception of a portion of the northwest sector. [The portion of the City of St. Albert north of McKenny Avenue and west of St. Albert Trail is included within the Spruce Grove Sturgeon St. Albert Constituency.]
4. The present boundary alignment ensures St. Albert has representation in the Legislature that is able to spend time primarily focusing on urban issues that are unique to a small city like St. Albert and our setting in the Capital Region.

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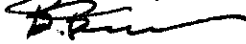
Chief Electoral Officer

Conclusion:

It is recommended the boundaries of the St. Albert Constituency should continue to be defined within the municipal boundaries of the City of St. Albert.

Thank you very much for giving this submission your consideration.

Yours truly,



Barry Breadner
President