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Members of the Connecticut General Assembly Reapportionment Committee:

My name is Richard Dziekan and I have the honor of serving as the Mayor of Derby. I am here today to advocate and encourage this committee to consolidate the City of Derby's delegation into a single State House district.

Earlier this year, our legislative body – the Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen voted unanimously to urge this Reapportionment Committee to consolidate the Derby delegation into a single house district.

Currently, as you know, the Derby delegation is comprised of 3 State Representative (Districts 104, 105, 114) and 1 State Senator (District 17), because of this our voice in Hartford is fractured. As Connecticut's smallest city we need a strong unified voice in Hartford.

I would encourage you to heed the bi-partisan calls and reapportion Derby a single state house district.

Thank you.