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Greetings members of the Albany County Redistricting Commission and MMD Subcommittee.

As a Hispanic voter and the mother of 5, I feel the need to call on this commission to create 2 new Majority Minority Districts so that there are 7 MMDs in the county legislature. There have already been maps from the Lars, commission and Gwen showing how this can be done. Seven Majority Minority Districts are important to have maximum minority representation defined as Blacks and Hispanics, ensuring opportunities for legislators who are familiar with our similar interests and our connected community.

Besides supporting the creation of 7 MMDs, I wanted to let the commission know that I support Hispanic Voters being counted as minority voters the same way that Black voters are. We have the same issues and concerns - gun violence, education, housing, policing. Historically Hispanic voters have counted with Black voters as minorities and I believe that they should continue to be counted as minorities.

Sent from my iPhone