November 17, 2020

Andrew Reding, Chair Whatcom County Democratic Party P.O. Box 3095 Bellingham WA 98227

Dear Andrew Reding:

As we close in on the end of 2020, it is time to begin planning for a new year!

At the beginning of 2021 the Whatcom County Council will be tasked with appointing the initial four members of the 2021 Whatcom County Districting Committee. Per County Charter, the Districting Committee will consist of five members, two from each major political party and a fifth member, appointed by the first four members, who will act as committee chair. Once all five members of the committee have been appointed, they will appoint a Districting Master, who shall be qualified by education, training, and experience to assist the committee with reviewing current district boundaries and adjusting boundary lines as necessary to ensure districts contain approximately equal population.

This letter is sent as an official request to the Whatcom County Democratic Party. We ask that you submit the names of at least two party members interested in serving on the 2021 Districting Committee to our office by 4:30 p.m. on December 21, 2020. Names can be emailed to me at dbrown@co.whatcom.wa.us or sent by US Mail to 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 105, Bellingham, 98225, attention Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council. It is anticipated that final consideration and appointment of committee members will take place at the Council's January 12, 2021, evening meeting.

Please don't hesitate to contact me at 360.778.5010 or at the email address listed above if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dana Brown-Davis, CMC Clerk of the Council