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To: Cleveland City Charter Review Commission

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Recommendation Number 13 of the 1988 Commission is reprinted below. I would like to propose its reconsideration by this Commission, with the single change noted, in connection with any discussion of reducing the number of ward Council representatives.

Thanks.

RECOMMENDATION NUMBER 13 OF THE 1988 CHARTER REVIEW COMMISSION

Sections 77-82: Require that City Council divide the City into service districts, that there be enough such districts to be truly local in character, and that their boundaries be somewhat consistent with ward boundaries. Require municipal service departments [*] to submit explicit plans for serving each district to City Council, for public review and evaluation as part of the annual budget process. Require each municipal service department [*] to designate an individual with the primary authority and responsibility for service provision [*] within each district.

Rationale: To improve the delivery of city services.

(Recommended by a vote of 10-3-2)

[* I would add "planning and development" to "service" in each of these instances -- Bill]