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Dear President Elias and Honorable Commissioners,

My name is Diana, and I am a resident of and owner of 25 years in the Tenderloin. I'm writing in support of redrawing the boundaries of the Tenderloin Police Station, as outlined in the "Recommended Map" submitted by the Tenderloin, Lower Polk, and Lower Nob Hill coalition.

The current boundaries do not support the needs of our neighborhood and lead to a lack of community policing, something that is needed given the open air drug use and drug markets we endure every day. The current boundaries mean officers are asked to cover areas like Sixth Street and the cable car turnaround at Powell. As the Tenderloin's northern borders have expanded beyond Geary to Post, it also makes this area less secure as certain areas in this part of the Tenderloin need to coordinate between 3 police districts.

Residents deserve to feel safe in their neighborhoods, and the current situation doesn't help. Community ambassadors alone cannot make up for the lack of police presence on our streets. This lack of safety is making it less secure for residents, owners, and visitors, driving our vital businesses and customers away, and breaking the spirit of those trying to survive here.

I strongly support the coalition's recommendations, particularly:

- Removing TL Station's coverage south of Market Street.
- Extending TL Station's northern boundary to Sutter Street.
- Using Van Ness Avenue as a more natural and effective boundary for Central and Northern Stations.
- Assigning City Hall under Northern Station jurisdiction.

These proposed changes are operationally sound, community-informed, and essential for restoring safety and fairness in resource distribution.

Please take this opportunity to make a meaningful difference in our neighborhood. We need focused, consistent police coverage within the Tenderloin. The people here cannot afford to be forgotten any longer.

Sincerely,

Diana Helander