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Representative Sarah Copeland Hanzas,

I spoke on behalf of the Rutland Town BCA at yesterday's hearing and in reviewing my statements I unknowingly made an error. When discussing the possibility of our Town using 50 of Mendon's population to help support our numbers, I noted that Mendon would not have an issue with that. I do not know why I said that because I know Mendon wants to stand with Chittenden, Killington and Pittsfield as their own district. I must assume I misunderstood the question asked of me, I signed our BCA letter (attached) which states clearly that Mendon does not wish to be a part of Rutland Town.

That all being said, please strike my statement from the record, or note the error in your discussions. Rutland Town has a great relationship with Mendon and I do not wish to upset it.

Thank you again for the opportunity to discuss the redistricting proposals. These kinds of issues brought before your committee underscores my appreciation of your commitment to the task. Thank you again.

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