

HEARING NOTICE

PROPOSED CHANGES TO VOTING DISTRICTS

THE PHILADELPHIA COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
HAS PETITIONED THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS TO
ALTER AND REVISE THE BOUNDARIES OF THE
FOLLOWING ELECTION DISTRICTS

WARD: 63RD

DIVISIONS: 10TH, 12TH, 15TH, 21ST, & 24TH

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED PLAN, A HEARING
IS SCHEDULED FOR THIS PETITION AS FOLLOWS:

HEARING DATE: AUGUST 1, 2019

TIME: 9:30 A.M.

PLACE: CITY HALL COURTROOM 513

ANY PERSONS OBJECTING TO THESE CHANGES MUST
FILE THOSE OBJECTIONS WITH THE COURT OF
COMMON PLEAS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE HEARING

THESE DIVISIONS HAVE THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS OF ELECTORS
ENROLLED:

63-10 (698); 63-12 (633); 63-15 (651); 63-21 (498); 63-24 (457)

OFFICE OF THE CITY COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CIVIL TRIAL DIVISION OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

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IN RE PETITION OF PHILADELPHIA
COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

July Term, 2019

NO. 19725

RULE TO SHOW CAUSE

AND NOW, this 17 day of July, 2019, upon consideration of the Petition to redraw, revise and modify the Election District boundaries of the 10th, 12th, 15th, 21st, and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward filed by the Philadelphia County Board of Elections, pursuant to the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2704, a Rule is issued upon all interested parties to appear and show cause, why an Order should not be entered authorizing the modification, and revisions requested, within that Petition.

This Rule is Returnable on the 1 day of August 2019, at 9:30 A.M./P.M. in Courtroom 513, City Hall, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

On the Return dates, Petitioner shall provide an Affidavit of Service certifying that notice has been provided by mail or hand delivery to the Democratic and Republican Ward Leaders, Committee People, and the Election Boards, and by posting for the public at large. The notice shall include a brief statement of the division, re-division, alteration, formation or consolidation of Elections Districts recommended by the Philadelphia County Board of Elections, and the date upon which argument will be considered by this Court, along with a warning that any person objecting thereto must file written objections with the Office of Judicial Records at least 24 hours before the hearing date. Such notice must be posted for at least ten (10) days, in at least five (5) public and conspicuous places in the district or districts to be affected thereby; and at least one such notice shall be posted on or in the immediate vicinity of the polling place in the district.

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BY THE COURT

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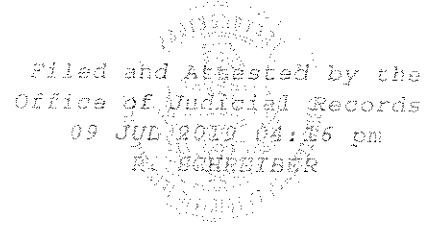
ORDER

AND NOW, this _____ day of _____, 2019, upon consideration of this
Petition, filed on _____ day of _____ 2019, the hearing held on the _____ day
of _____, 2019, where compliance with this Court's Rule to Show Cause having been
established by Affidavit of Service certifying that notice was provided as required, and there
being no objection,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Petition to redraw,
revise and modify the Election District boundaries of the 10th, 12th, 15th, 21st, and 24th Election
Districts of the 63rd Ward, filed by the Philadelphia County Board of Elections, pursuant to the
Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2704, is GRANTED, and that the boundary modifications
and revisions of the 10th, 12th, 15th, 21st, and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward be modified
and revised, as per the Chart and attachments hereto.

BY THE COURT

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IN RE PETITION OF PHILADELPHIA
COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
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July Term, 2019
NO. 01725

**PETITION TO REDRAW, REVISE AND MODIFY THE ELECTION DISTRICT
BOUNDARIES OF THE 10TH, 12TH, 15TH, 21ST, AND 24TH ELECTION DISTRICTS OF
THE 63RD WARD**

Petitioner, the Philadelphia County Board of Elections, by and through its undersigned counsel, in accordance with 25 P.S. § 2704, petitions this Court for an order to redraw, revise, and modify the boundaries of the 10th, 12th, 15th, 21st, and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward as set forth below:

1. The 10th, 12th, and 15th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward are located at the eastern part of the 63rd Ward.
2. The 21st and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward are located at the northern part of the 63rd Ward.
3. The 10th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded by Verree Road, Emerson Street, four various property lines, a right-of-way, two imaginary lines, Tabor Avenue, an

imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace, Pennypack Park, the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Rhawn Street. *See Exhibit A at 1-2.*

4. The 12th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded by Emerson Street, four various property lines, a right-of-way, two imaginary lines, Tabor Avenue, an imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace, Pennypack Park, Tustin Street, Tabor Avenue, and Verree Road. *See Exhibit A at 3-4.*

5. The 15th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded by Bloomfield Avenue, Alpena Road, Rising Sun Avenue, Bloomfield Avenue, Krewstown Road, the New York Railroad, Pennypack Park, Tabor Avenue, and Verree Road. *See Exhibit A at 5-6.*

6. The 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded by Welsh Road, a Drainage Right of Way, an imaginary line, a property line, Beth Drive, and the County Line. *See Exhibit A at 7-8.*

7. The 24th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded by the County Line, Beth Drive, a property line, an imaginary line, a Drainage Right of Way, and Alburger Avenue. *See Exhibit A at 9-10.*

8. During the 2019 Municipal Primary and Special Election, the 10th and 12th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward voted at the Fox Chase School located at 500 Rhawn Street.

9. During the 2019 Municipal Primary and Special Election, the 15th and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward voted at the Baldi School located at 8801 Verree Road.

10. During the 2019 Municipal Primary and Special Election, the 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward voted at the St. Thomas Syro Malabar Church located at 608 Welsh Road.

11. The 10th Election District of the 63rd Ward has 698 electors.

12. The 12th Election District of the 63rd Ward has 633 electors.

13. The 15th Election District of the 63rd Ward has 651 electors.

14. The 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward has 498 electors.

15. The 24th Election District of the 63rd Ward has 457 electors.

16. The overuse of imaginary lines in defining the current election district boundaries has resulted in a need to clarify the boundaries and comport with statutory guidelines.

17. The current election district boundaries have caused confusion over the proper voter registration placement.

18. According to the Pennsylvania Election Code, “[t]he county board of elections may . . . petition the court for the division or redivision of any . . . ward or election district into two or more election districts, or for the alteration of the bounds of any election district, or for the formation of one or more election districts out of two or more existing election districts, or parts thereof.” 25 P.S. § 2704.

19. The petition must include “a map and a verbal description of the boundaries of the proposed new election districts” and “a certification of the number of electors registered in each of the resulting election districts for the immediately preceding general or municipal election.” *Id.*

20. “Upon the presentation of any such petition by the county board, the court may make such order for the division, redivision, alteration, formation or consolidation of election districts, as will, in its opinion, promote the convenience of electors and the public interests: Provided [sufficient notice is provided].” *Id.*

21. Revising the aforementioned election districts will clarify district boundaries and remove confusion from the voter registration process.

22. The proposed modification for the 10th Election District of the 63rd Ward will consist of the following new boundaries: Verree Road, Emerson Street, Rising Sun Avenue, six various property lines, a continuation of Tabor Terrace and Tabor Terrace, Pennypack Park, the Pennsylvania Railroad, and Rhawn Street. *See* Exhibits B, C.

23. The proposed modification for the 12th Election District of the 63rd Ward will consist of the following new boundaries: Emerson Street, Rising Sun Avenue, six various property lines, a continuation of Tabor Terrace and Tabor Terrace, Pennypack Park, the Pennsylvania Railroad, Krewstown Road, Pennypack Park, Bloomfield Avenue, and Verree Road. *See* Exhibits B, D.

24. The proposed modification for the 15th Election District of the 63rd Ward will consist of the following new boundaries: Bloomfield Avenue, Alpena Road, Rising Sun Avenue, Bloomfield Avenue, Krewstown Road, and Pennypack Park. *See* Exhibits B, E.

25. The proposed modification for the 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward will consist of the following new boundaries: Welsh Road, a Drainage Right of Way, an imaginary line, a property line, Darlington Road, Stratford Drive, Beth Drive, and the County Line. *See* Exhibits F, G.

26. The proposed modification for the 24th Election District of the 63rd Ward will consist of the following new boundaries: The County Line, Beth Drive, Stratford Drive, Darlington Road, a property line, an imaginary line, a Drainage Right of Way, and Alburger Avenue. *See* Exhibits F, H.

27. The tentative polling place location for the electors of the proposed 10th and 12th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward will be the Fox Chase School located at 500 Rhawn Street.

28. The tentative polling place location for the electors of the proposed 15th and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward will be the Baldi School located at 8801 Verree Road.

29. The tentative polling place location for the electors of the proposed 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward will be the St. Thomas Syro Malabar Church located at 608 Welsh Road.

WHEREFORE, the Philadelphia County Board of Elections request the Court to revise, redraw, and modify the Election District boundaries of the 10th, 12th, 15th, 21st, and 24th Election Districts of the 63rd Ward according to the attached plan.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
LAW DEPARTMENT

DATED: July 9, 2019


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VERIFICATION

I, Garrett C. Dietz, for the Office of the City Commissioners, verify that the facts as set forth above are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

I understand that false statements made therein are subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

DATED: July 5, 2019

BY: 
Garrett C. Dietz
Election Compliance Specialist
Office of the City Commissioners

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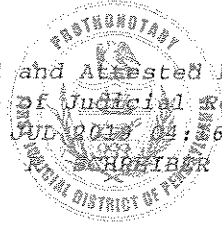
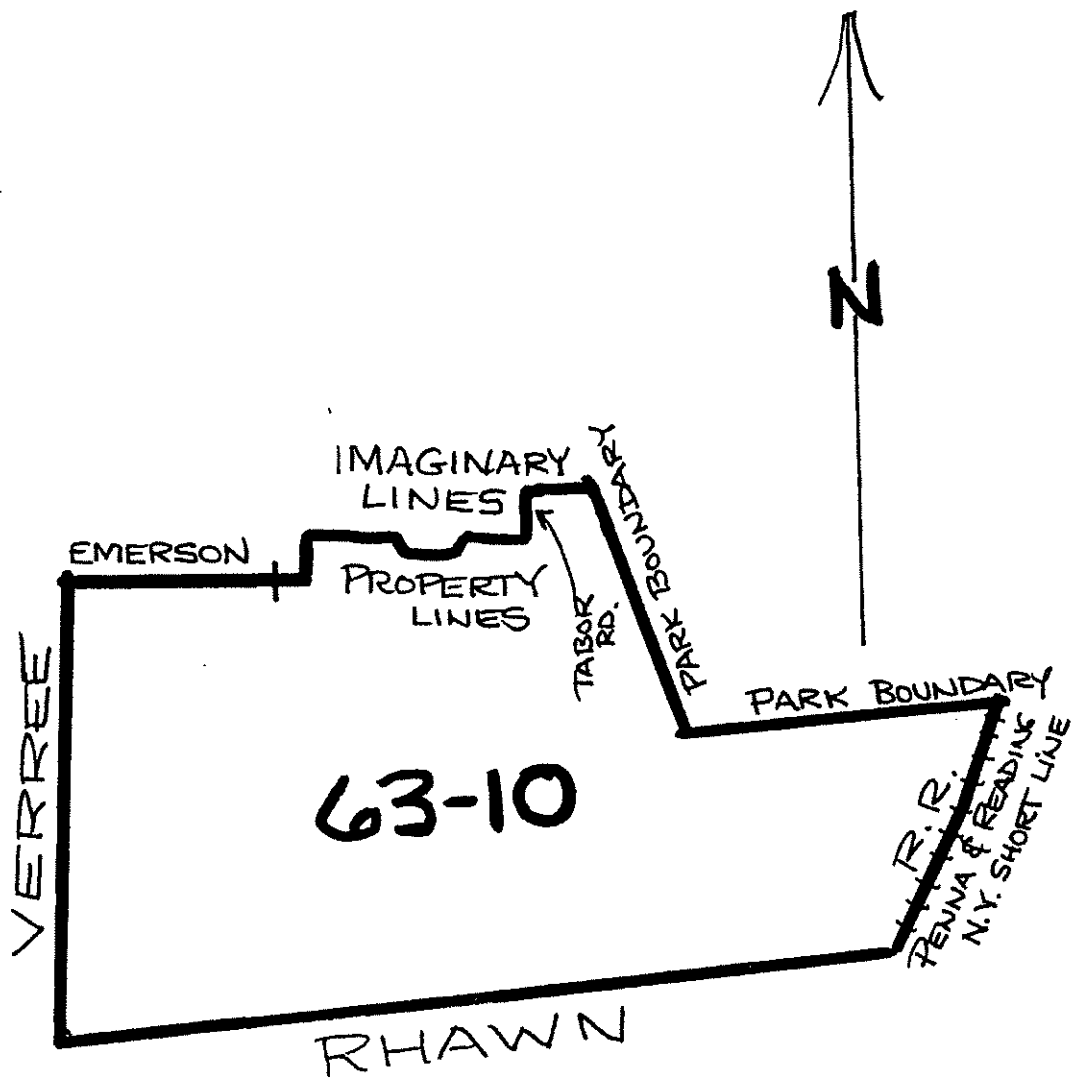


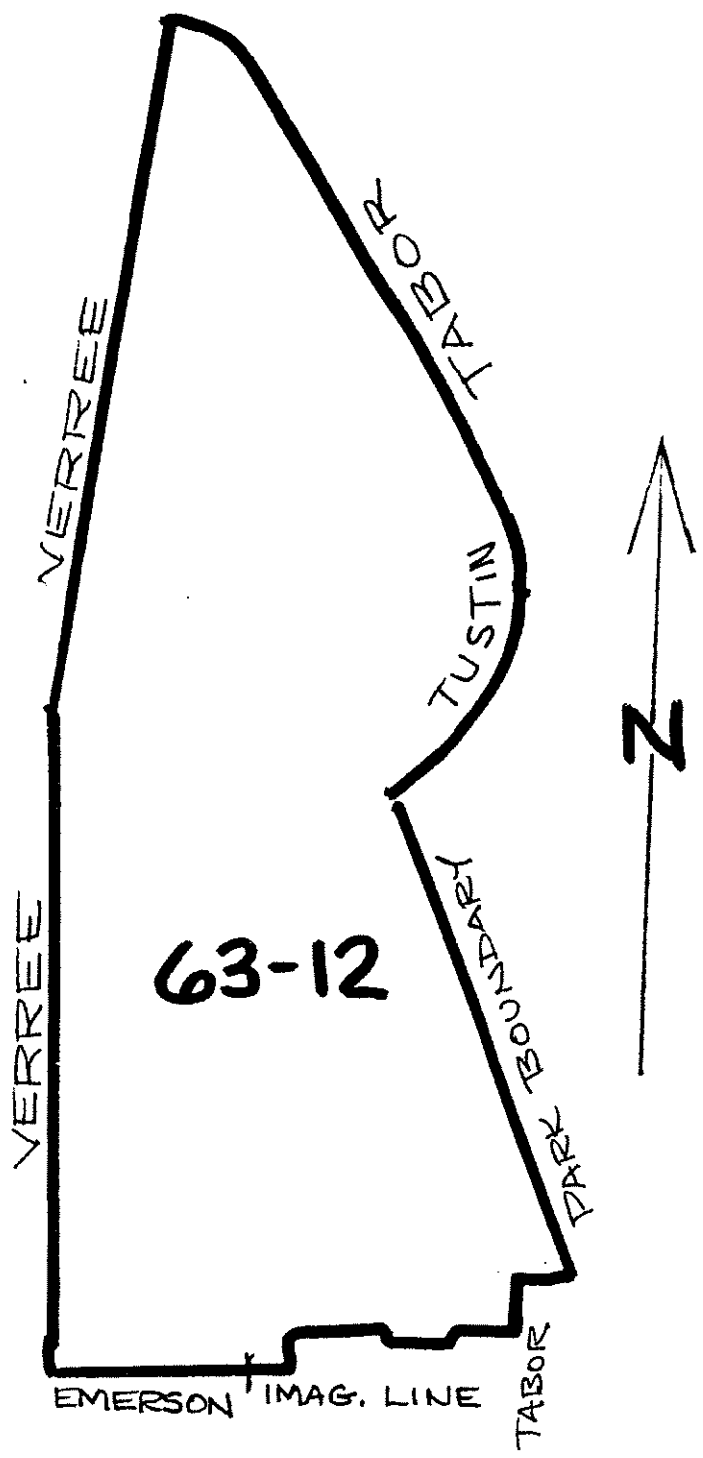
EXHIBIT "A"



The new 10th Division of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of Verree Road and the middle line of Rhawn Street; thence northward along the middle line of Verree Road to the middle line of Emerson Street; thence eastward along the middle line of Emerson Street, across Rising Sun Avenue and continuing eastward along the property line between 8227 Rising Sun Avenue and 8231 Rising Sun Avenue to the property line at the rear of 8220 Solly Place, thence northward along said property line to the property line at the rear of _____ Hoffnagle Place, thence eastward along said property line to the property line between 1101 Solly Place and _____ Hoffnagle Place; thence northward along said property line to the property line of 1101 Solly Place; thence eastward along said property line to the right-of-way between 1115 Solly Place and 1108 Tabor Terrace; thence southward along the center line of said right-of-way to property line at the rear of 1108 Tabor Terrace; thence eastward along said property line to the property line between 1118 Tabor Terrace and 1121 Tabor Place; thence northward along said property line to the property line at the rear of 1121 Tabor Place; thence eastward along said property line to the middle line of Tabor Avenue; thence northward along the middle line of Tabor Avenue to the middle line of Tabor Terrace; thence eastward along an imaginary line extending from Tabor Terrace to the Pennypack Park boundary; thence southward and eastward along the Pennypack Park boundary to the center line of the Pennsylvania Railroad line; thence southwestward along the middle line of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the middle line of Rhawn Street; thence westward along the middle line of Rhawn Street to the middle line of Verree Road, the first and beginning point.

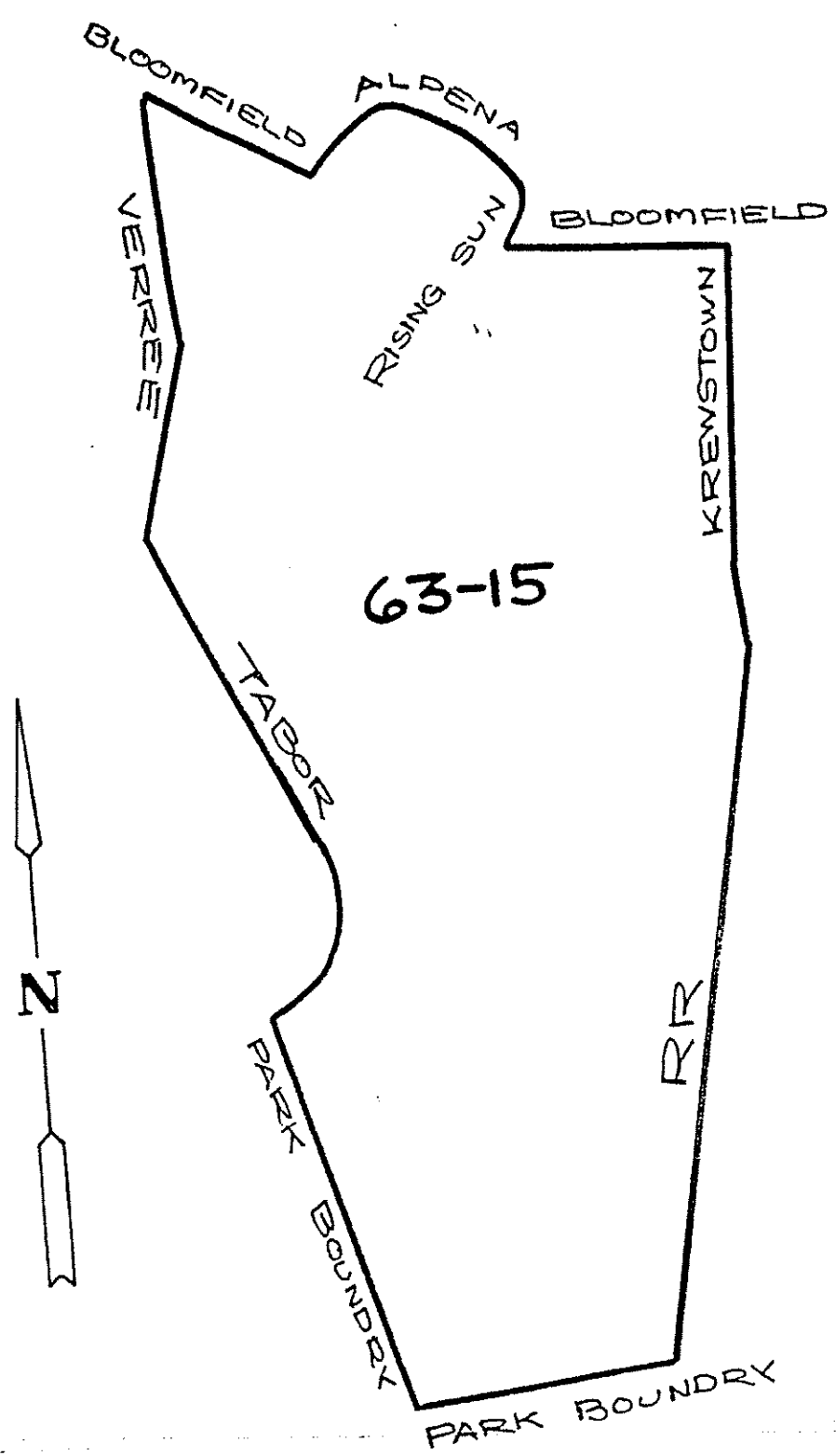
The new 10th Division of the 63rd Ward will contain approximately 682 electors.



The new 12th Division of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of Verree Road and the middle line of Emerson Street; thence eastward along the middle line of Emerson Street, across Rising Sun Avenue, and continuing eastward along the property line between 8227 Rising Sun Avenue and 8231 Rising Sun Avenue to the property line at the rear of 8220 Solly Place; thence northward along said property line to the property line at the rear of _____ Hoffnagle Place; thence eastward along said property line to the property line between 1101 Solly Place and _____ Hoffnagle Place; thence northward along said property line to the property line at the rear of 1101 Solly Place; thence eastward along said property line to the right-of-way between 1115 Solly Place and 1108 Tabor Terrace; thence southward along the center line of said right-of-way to the property line at the rear of 1108 Tabor Terrace; thence eastward along said property line to the property line between 1118 Tabor Terrace and 1121 Tabor Place; thence northward along said property line to the property line at the rear of 1121 Tabor Place; thence eastward along said property line to the middle line of Tabor Avenue; thence northward along the middle line of Tabor Avenue to the middle line of Tabor Terrace; thence eastward along an imaginary line extending from Tabor Terrace to the Pennypack Park boundary line; thence northwestward along the Pennypack Park boundary to the middle line of Tustin Street; thence northeastward along the middle line of Tustin Street to the middle line of Tabor Avenue; thence northwestward along the middle line of Tabor Avenue to the middle line of Verree Road; thence southward along the middle line of Verree Road to the middle line of Emerson Street, the first and beginning point.

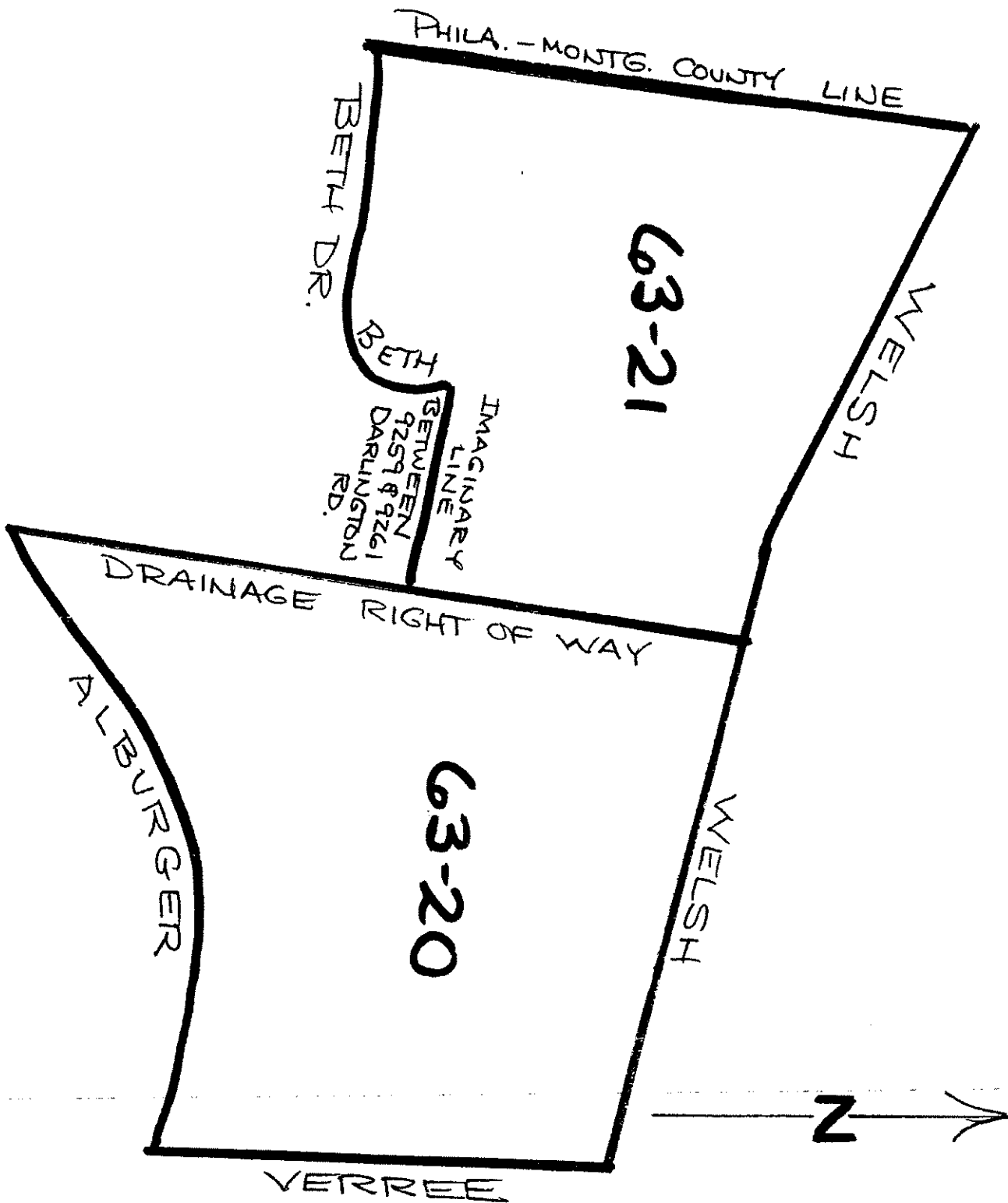
The new 12th Division of the 63rd Ward will contain approximately 645 electors.



The new 15th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the intersection of the middle line of Bloomfield Ave. and the middle line of Verree Rd.; thence southeastward along the middle line of Bloomfield Ave. to the middle line of Alpena Rd.; thence northeastward and southeastward along the middle line of Alpena Rd. to the middle line of Rising Sun Ave.; thence southwestward along the middle line of Rising Sun Ave. to the middle line of Bloomfield Ave.; thence eastward along the middle line of Bloomfield Ave. to the middle line of Krewstown Rd.; thence southeastward along the middle line of Krewstown Rd. to the middle line of the New York Railroad; thence southwestward along the middle line of the New York Railroad to the middle of the boundary line of Pennypack Park; thence westward and northwestward along the middle of the boundary line of Pennypack Park to the middle line of Tabor Ave; thence northeastward and northwestward along the middle line of Tabor Ave. to the middle line of Verree Rd.; thence northward along the middle line of Verree Rd. to the middle line of Bloomfield Ave. to the first point and beginning.

The new 15th Election District of the 63rd Ward will have approximately 846 electors.

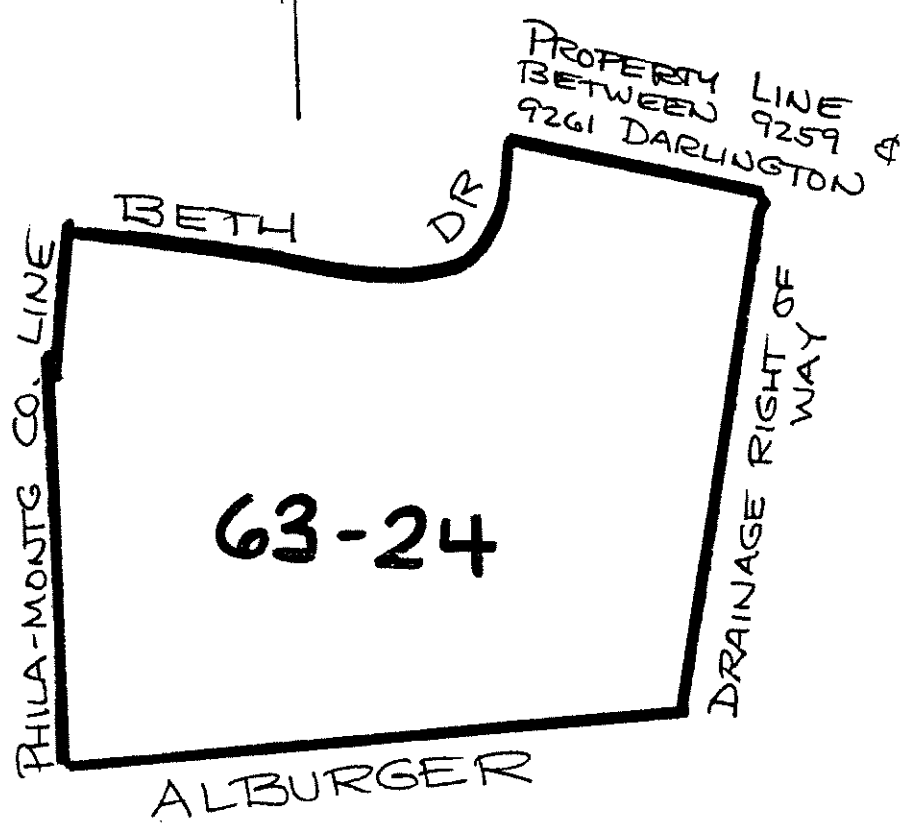


The present 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the intersection of the middle line of County Line and the middle line of Welsh Rd.; thence eastward along the middle line of Welsh Rd. to the middle line of the Drainage Right of Way; thence southward along the middle line of the Drainage Right of Way to an imaginary line between 9259 and 9261 Darlington Rd.; thence westward along said imaginary line and continuing westward along the middle line of Beth Drive to the middle line of the County Line; thence northward along the middle line of the County Line to the first point and beginning.

The present 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward will have approximately 593 electors.

NO CHANGE



The present 24th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at the intersection of the middle line of Alburger Ave. and the middle line of the County Line; thence northward along the middle line of the County Line to the middle line of Beth Drive; thence eastward along the middle line of Beth Drive and continuing eastward along an imaginary line between 9259 and 9261 Darlington Rd. to the middle line of the Drainage Right of Way; thence southward along the middle line of the Drainage Right of Way to the middle line of Alburger Ave.; thence westward along the middle line of Alburger Ave. to the first point and beginning.

The present 24th Election District of the 63rd Ward will have approximately 551 electors.

NO CHANGE

EXHIBIT “B”

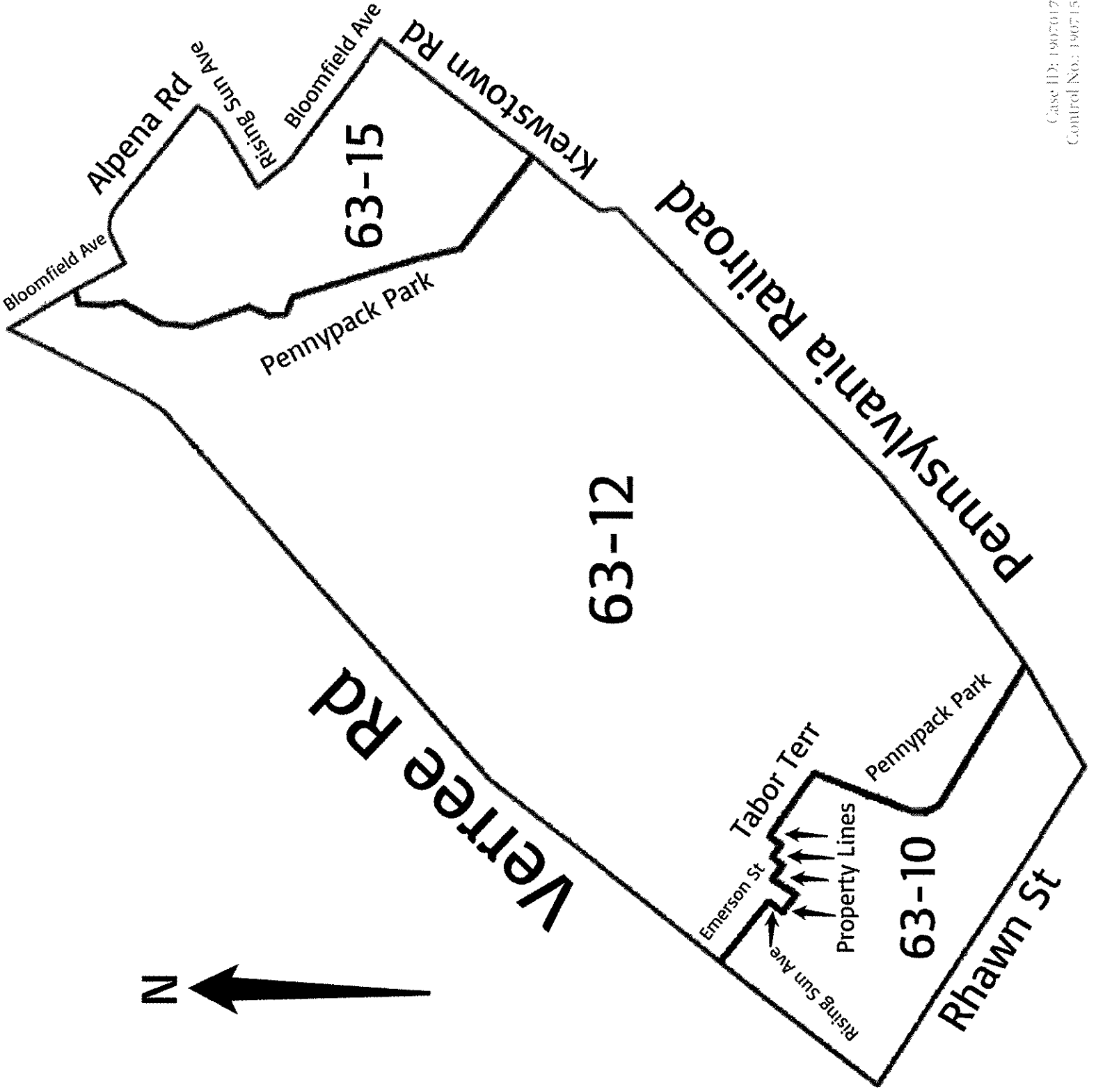


EXHIBIT “C”

The new 10th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of Emerson Street and the middle line of Verree Road; thence southwestward along the middle line of Verree Road to the middle line of Rhawn Street; thence southeastward along the middle line of Rhawn Street to the middle line of the Pennsylvania Railroad; thence northeastward along the middle line of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the boundary of Pennypack Park; thence westward and northward along the boundary of Pennypack Park to an imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace; thence northwestward along the imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace and continuing along the middle line of Tabor Terrace and a further imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace to the rear property lines between Tabor Terrace and Hoffnagle Place; thence southwestward along the rear property lines between Tabor Terrace and Hoffnagle Place to the boundary between the southwestern property line of 1018 Hoffnagle Place and the rear property line of Solly Place; thence northwestward along said rear property line of Solly Place to the property line between 1101 Solly Place and 1016 Hoffnagle Place; thence southwestward along the boundary between the property lines of 1101 Solly Place and 1016 Hoffnagle Place to the property line between 1016 Hoffnagle Place and the northeastern property line of 8222 Solly Place; thence northwestward along the northern property line of 8222 Solly Place to the boundary between the rear property lines of Solly Place and Rising Sun Avenue; thence southwestward along the boundary between the rear property lines of Solly Place and Rising Sun Avenue to the property line between 8219 and 8221 Rising Sun Avenue; thence northwestward along the property line between 8219 and 8221 Rising Sun Avenue to the middle line of Rising Sun Avenue; thence northeastward along the middle line of Rising Sun Avenue to the middle line of Emerson Street; thence northwestward along the middle line of Emerson Street to the middle line of Verree Road, the first point and beginning.

PROPOSED WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

EXHIBIT “D”

The new 12th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of Verree Road and the middle line of Emerson Street; thence southeastward along the middle line of Emerson Street to the middle line of Rising Sun Avenue; thence southwestward along the middle line of Rising Sun Avenue to the property line between 8219 and 8221 Rising Sun Avenue; thence southeastward along the property line between 8219 and 8221 Rising Sun Avenue to the rear property line between Rising Sun Avenue and Solly Place; thence northeastward along the rear property line between Rising Sun Avenue and Solly Place to the property line between 8222 Solly Place and 1016 Hoffnagle Place; thence southeastward along the property line between 8222 Solly Place and 1016 Hoffnagle Place to the property line between 1016 Hoffnagle Place and 1101 Solly Place; thence northeastward along the property line between 1016 Hoffnagle Place and 1101 Solly Place to the boundary between the rear property line of Solly Place and the southwestern property line of 1018 Hoffnagle Place; thence southeastward along the boundary between the rear property line of Solly Place and the southwestern property line of 1018 Hoffnagle Place to the boundary between the rear property lines Hoffnagle Place and Tabor Terrace; thence northeastward along the boundary between the rear property lines of Hoffnagle Place and Tabor Terrace to an imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace; thence southeastward along an imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace and continuing along the middle line of Tabor Terrace and a further imaginary continuation of Tabor Terrace to the western boundary of Pennypack Park; thence southward and eastward along the boundary of Pennypack Park to the middle line of the Pennsylvania Railroad; thence northeastward along middle line of the Pennsylvania Railroad to the middle line of Krewstown Road; thence northeastward along the middle line of Krewstown Road to the boundary of Pennypack Park; thence northwestward and northward along the boundary of Pennypack Park to the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue at the Fairmount Drainage Right of Way; thence northwestward along the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue to the middle line of Verree Road; thence southwestward along the middle line of Verree Road to the middle line of Emerson Street, the first point and beginning.

PROPOSED WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

EXHIBIT “E”

The new 15th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue and the middle line of Alpena Road; thence eastward and southeastward along the middle line of Alpena Road to the middle line of Rising Sun Avenue; thence southwestward along the middle line of Rising Sun Avenue to the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue; thence southeastward along the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue to the middle line of Krewstown Road; thence southwestward along the middle line of Krewstown Road to the boundary of Pennypack Park; thence westward and northwestward along the boundary of Pennypack Park to the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue at the Fairmount Drainage Right of Way; thence southeastward along the middle line of Bloomfield Avenue to the middle line of Alpena Road, the first point and beginning.

PROPOSED WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

EXHIBIT “F”

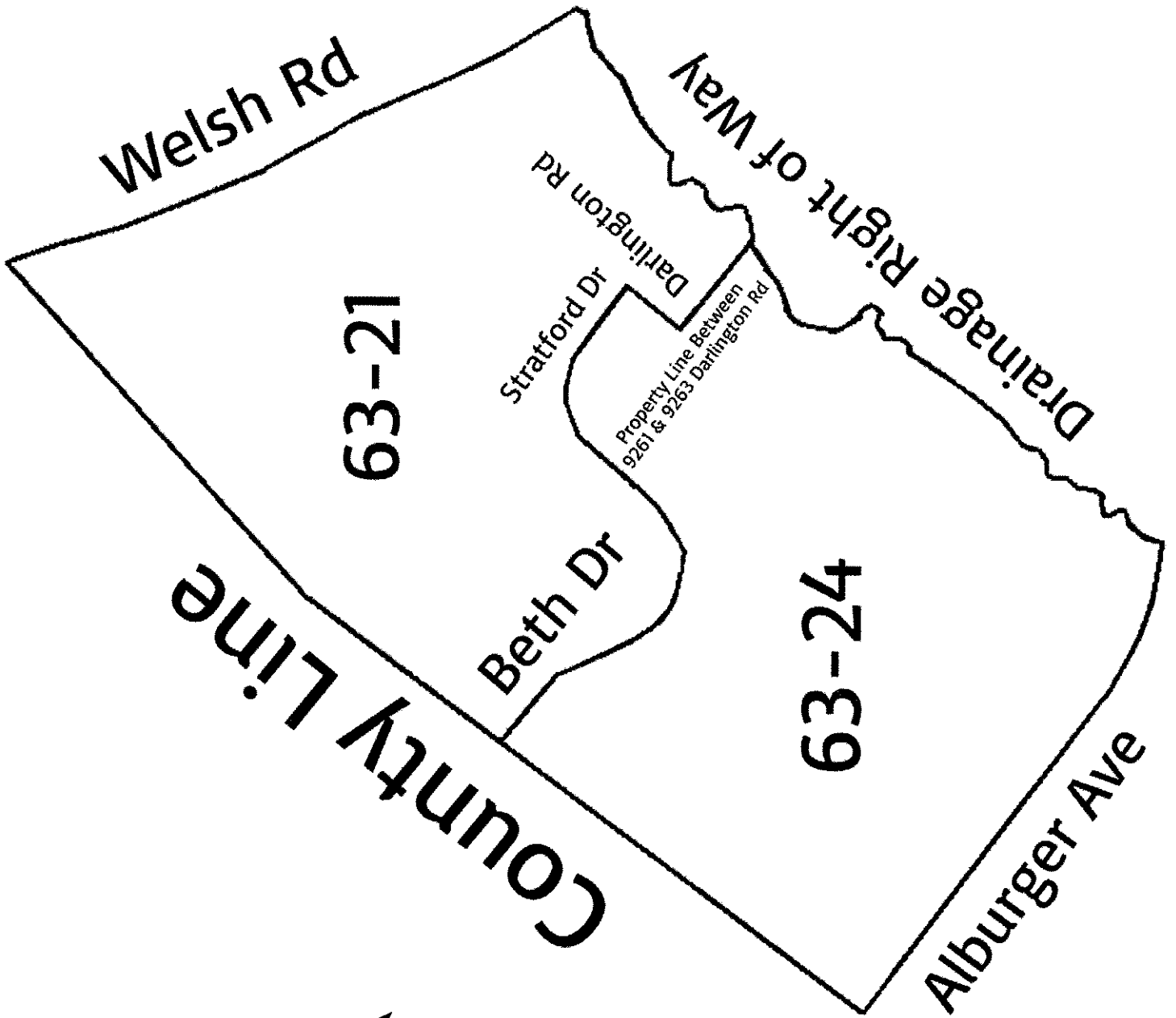


EXHIBIT “G”

The new 21st Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of the County Line and the middle line of Welsh Road; thence southeastward along the middle line of Welsh Road to the middle line of a Drainage Right of Way; thence southwestward along the middle line of a Drainage Right of Way to an imaginary continuation of the property line between 9261 and 9263 Darlington Road; thence northwestward along an imaginary continuation of the property line between 9261 and 9263 Darlington Road and continuing along said property line to the middle line of Darlington Road; thence northeastward along the middle line of Darlington Road to the middle line of Stratford Drive; thence westward and southwestward along the middle line of Stratford Drive to the middle line of Beth Drive; thence southwestward and westward along the middle line of Beth Drive to the middle line of the County Line; thence northeastward along the middle line of the County Line to the middle line of Welsh Road, the first point and beginning.

PROPOSED WRITTEN DESCRIPTION

EXHIBIT “H”

The new 24th Election District of the 63rd Ward is bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the middle line of Alburger Avenue and the middle line of the County Line; thence northeastward along the middle line of the County Line to the middle line of Beth Drive; thence eastward and northeastward along the middle line of Beth Drive to the middle line of Stratford Drive; thence northeastward and eastward along the middle line of Stratford Drive to the middle line of Darlington Road; thence southwestward along the middle line of Darlington Road to the property line between 9261 and 9263 Darlington Road; thence southeastward along the property line between 9261 and 9263 Darlington Road and continuing along an imaginary continuation of said property line to the middle line of a Drainage Right of Way; thence southwestward along a Drainage Right of Way to the middle line of Alburger Avenue; thence westward and northwestward along the middle line of Alburger Avenue to the middle line of the County Line, the first point and beginning.

PROPOSED WRITTEN DESCRIPTION