Exhibit 2

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

July 31, 2020

Governor's Veto Message Regarding House Bill 1665

By the authority vested in me, pursuant to part II, Article 44 of the New Hampshire Constitution, on July 31st, 2020, I have vetoed House Bill 1665.

New Hampshire has a redistricting process that is fair, representative, and accountable to voters. New Hampshire takes the process seriously and we should take pride that issues of gerrymandering in the State are rare. As we have made clear time and time again this legislative session, we must be careful before pursuing wholesale changes to systems that have proven themselves to work for New Hampshire.

The New Hampshire Constitution directs the legislature – the most representative body in the country - to determine Congressional, Legislative and Executive Council districts. We know our local representatives and senators personally, and we can hold them accountable for their decisions. It will be the responsibility of the legislature we elect in November to take up the redistricting process in a way that our citizens deserve and expect. That legislature should have the right to determine its own process, and should not be bound to the prescribed process laid out in this bill.

For the reasons stated above, I have vetoed House Bill 1665.

Respectfully submitted,

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Governor

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