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Subject: West Virginia House of Delegates redistricting plan
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To: Members of the West Virginia Joint Committee on Redistricting: Senator Charles Trump, IV, Chair, Delegate Gary Howell, Chair, Senator Michael Woelfel, and Delegate Doug Skaff, Jr.; Barbara Fleischauer; Jennifer McPherson; Richard Stonestreet; Tom Crouser; Julie Archer; Nyoka Chapman; Phil Kabler; and Hoppy Kercheval.

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Attached hereto is a 6-page color copy of Thornton Cooper WV 100 Delegates Map No. 1 (pages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6).

On Tuesday, September 21, 2021, I finished designing and mapping this plan on the davesredistricting.org website and published that map as a "Published Map" on that website. On the afternoon of the same day, I made reference to that map during the Joint Committee's virtual public hearing for residents of Congressional District 2. However, because of technical problems, the video portion of my presentation malfunctioned and I was unable to show the map during the presentation.

Under the plan that I have mapped out, I have accomplished three separate objectives: (1) I kept the population of each of the 100 delegate districts within a variance of less 1% from the ideal figure of 17,937. (2) There are 23 counties in West Virginia each of which has a population of less than 17,937. Under my plan only 2 of those counties were split between different delegate districts. The other 21 whole counties are components of a total of 17 delegate districts. (3) Of the remaining 83 delegate districts, each one of 66 of them is located wholly within one county.

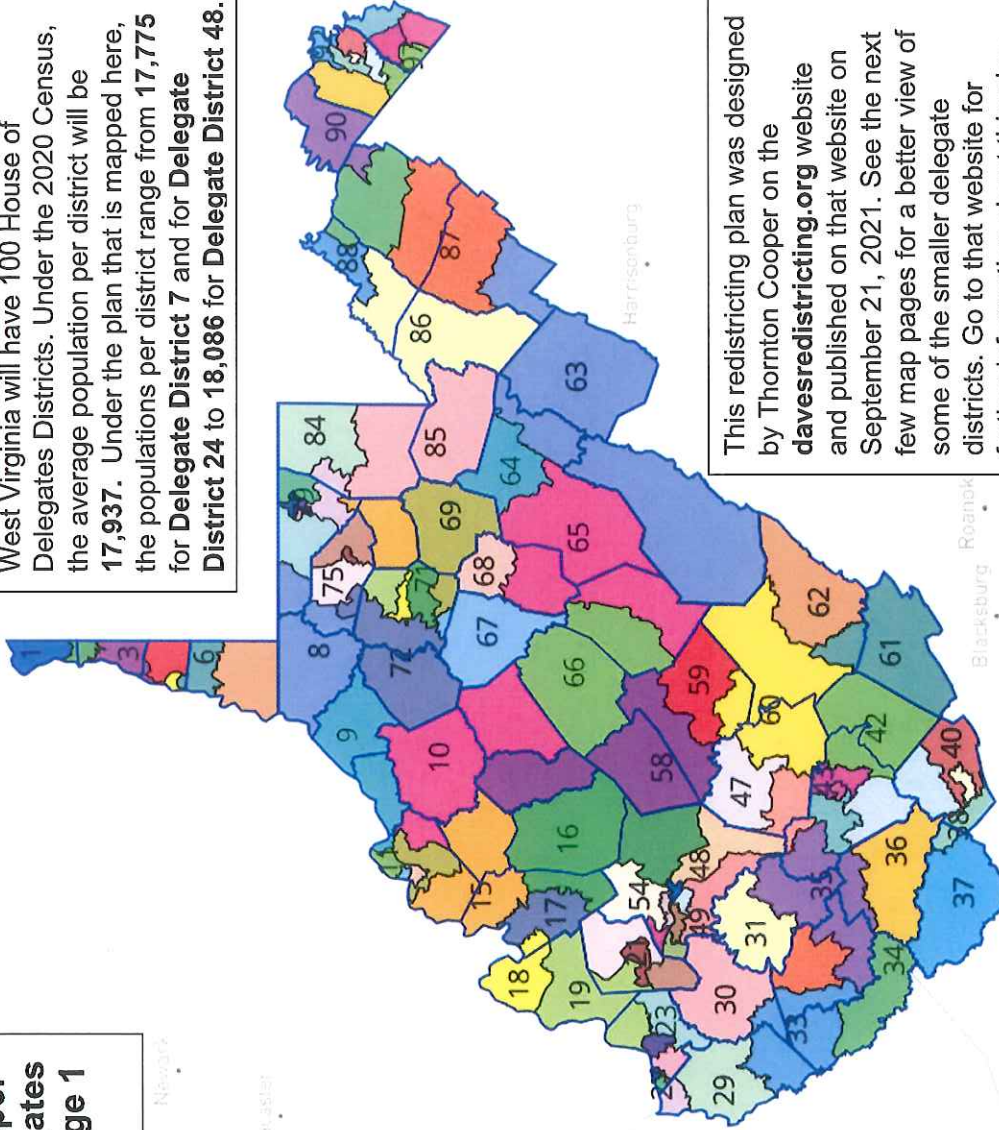
I may provide further information about this plan in the next few weeks.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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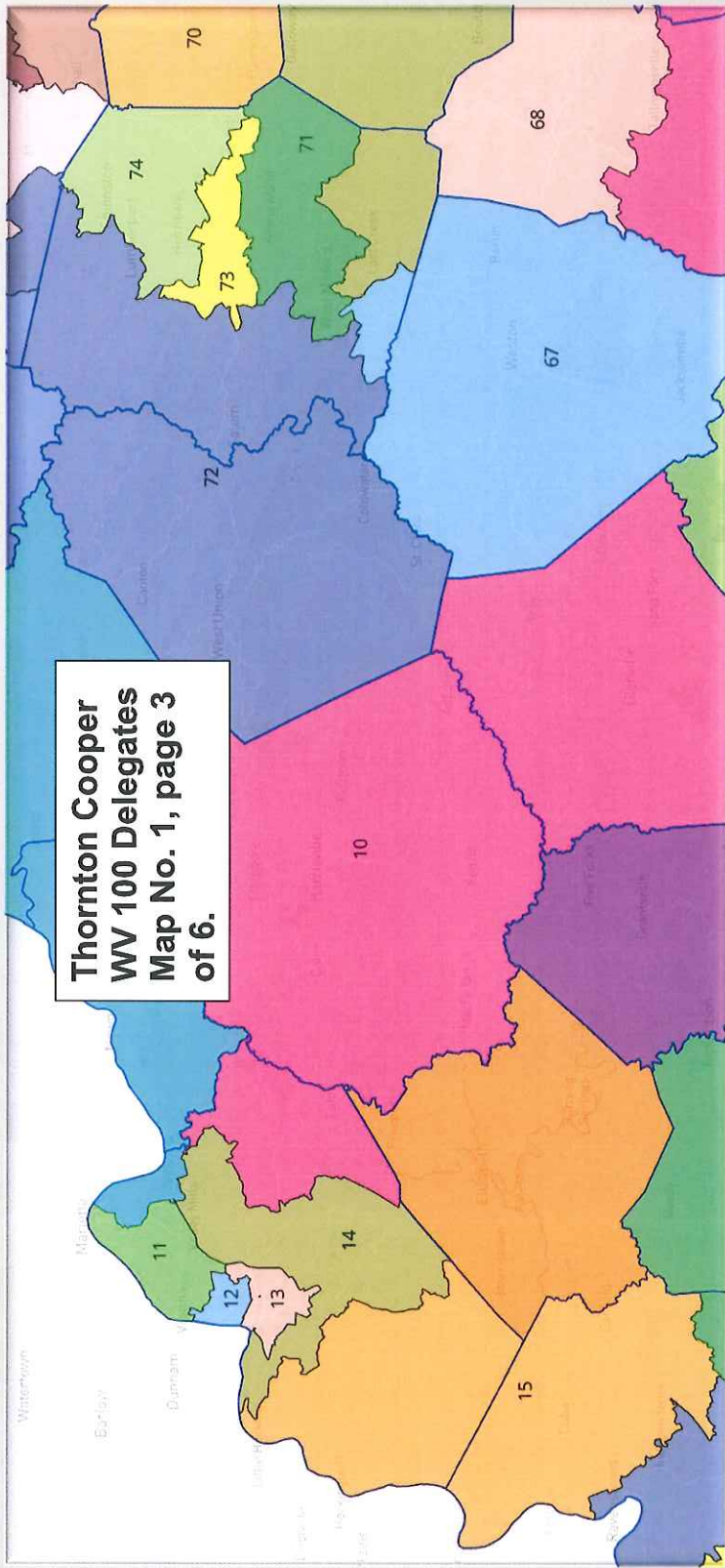
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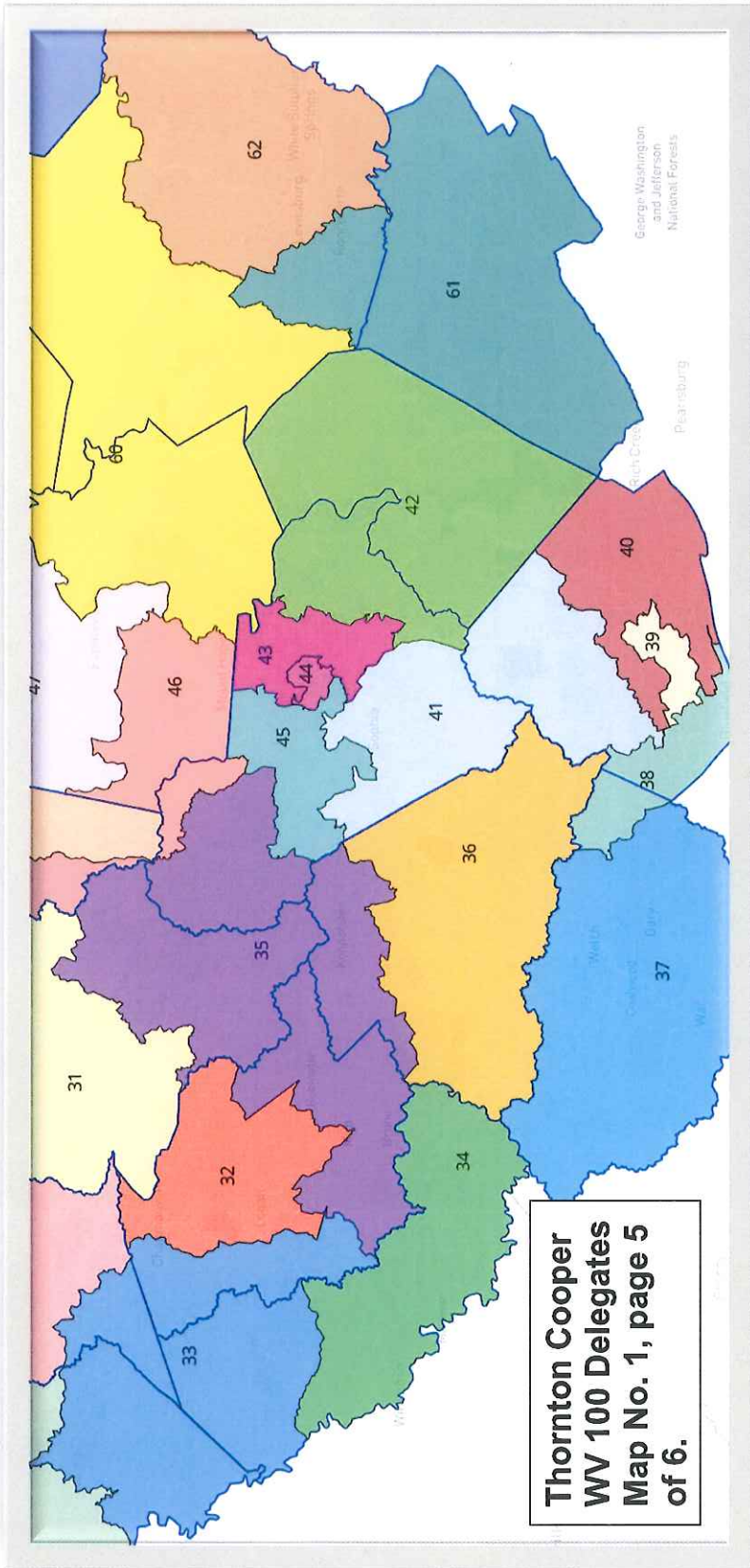
West Virginia will have 100 House of Delegates Districts. Under the 2020 Census, the average population per district will be 17,937. Under the plan that is mapped here, the populations per district range from 17,775 for **Delegate District 7** and for **Delegate District 24** to 18,086 for **Delegate District 48**.



This redistricting plan was designed by Thornton Cooper on the davesredistricting.org website and published on that website on September 21, 2021. See the next few map pages for a better view of some of the smaller delegate districts. Go to that website for further information about this plan.

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