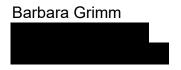




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The Australian Electoral Commission Canberra

Objection to the planned redistribution of the federal seat of North Sydney

To whom it may concern

I am dismayed to learn of the plan to redistribute the federal seat of North Sydney and carve it up between three different electorates.

I am part of a very cohesive community network that makes living here special and desirable. A rare community that comes together and works for the good of its people. Where better was this demonstrated than in the combined effort to get our independent member elected.

I would also venture to assume that the business community of North Sydney, which is the third largest business centre in the country, would not be happy at all to lose their dedicated representation by a very dedicated local member.

Personally, I can only emphasise that all activities of my daily life, i.e. shopping, sport and leisure, are all undertaken in the community surrounding our suburb and nearby suburbs of Northbridge, Crow's Nest, Artarmon, Naremburn, St Leonards and Cammeray. People know each other and form a very cohesive support system that extends to the borders of North Sydney alas not beyond.

When it comes to population growth, it seems a bit unfair to compare today's numbers and not consider what is in planning and predicted for the near future.

North Sydney Council talks about 19.500 new residents by 2036 and that is just one LGA of 4. With that in mind it seams a bit counterproductive and maybe short sighted to abolish a seat that growing as we speak.

To keep it short and succinct, to abolish the seat of North Sydney is not a good idea and I cannot see any sense in it at all.

Yours faithfully

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