



Objection 438

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Dear NSW Redistribution Committee.

I would like you to reconsider the proposed 2024 NSW redistribution plans to abolish the federal seat of North Sydney.

My objection is because my family and I have been part of the North Sydney electorate for 22 years, except for one election when we were moved to Bennelong. Our children went to primary and senior school in North Sydney, and both my mother and I have had stalls at the monthly North Sydney markets.

I oppose the plan for redistribution for two main reasons.

First, our population is growing fast, and North Sydney will likely need to be brought back at the next election. The NSW State Government plans to introduce 5,900 new homes in the North Sydney LGA by 2029. If this growth is similar across the four LGAs currently in the federal seat, it would result in over 24,000 new homes being built across our community.

Secondly, the federal seat of North Sydney holds historical significance as one of the 75 original federation divisions that contested Australia's initial election 123 years ago. Preserving this name is crucial given Australia's limited historical value.

I strongly oppose the draft proposal to abolish the seat of North Sydney. I urge that it remains intact, with minimal changes to accommodate shifts in the overall number of electors in NSW.

Sincerely,

Andrew Giles

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I acknowledge and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders past, present, and future. I recognize and honor the stories, traditions, and living cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples on this land, and I commit to working together to build a brighter future.