



Objection 651

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Dear Redistribution Committee

This letter is a formal objection to the proposed NSW boundary redistribution, specifically, I object to the abolishment of North Sydney and moving Warringah's boundary to encompass the North Sydney CBD.

I have been a resident in Mosman (Warringah) for the past 2.5 years and previously lived in Hunters Hill (North Sydney). These are two distinct federal electorates with their own communities of interest and I do not believe that a federal MP can represent both for the following reasons:

- 1. North Sydney CBD is the third largest CBD in Australia and the needs of this large business centre are not aligned with the Northern Beaches business centres of Manly and Brookvale
- The North Sydney is a strong community of like minded people who share schools, services, sporting clubs and transport lines with people living on the lower North Shore, not those living on the Northern Beaches
- 3. It is not in the best interest of the electors and businesses of North Sydney to be divided into three federal electorates in the growing commercial centre of Crows Nest and Artarmon. This is a thriving centre that serves each other and sharing this amongst three federal MPs will be difficult for the community.
- 4. The electorate is growing. I believe that the data used by the AEC to calculate reaching 130,000 electors is flawed as it looks at previous ABS data which is not congruent with projected and approved high rise urban planning along the train line on the lower North Shore. This alone makes North Sydney a strange electorate to choose to abolish
- 5. Royal North Shore Hospital and its surrounding health precinct will be divided which is a major hub for healthcare in Sydney.

For these reasons I do not believe that North Sydney should be abolished.

I propose that the Warringah boundary moves west to the Warringah Freeway encompassing Kirribilli, all of Neutral Bay and Cammeray and the North Sydney boundary moves north into Bradfield and west into Bennelong to reach the guota required.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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