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Hello.

Please find a redistribution enquiry/request.

If you require INFO to respond, please provide to us a response.

If you respond directly, there is no need to let us know.

Best regards

| Public Enquiry Officer

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Re. Proposed changes to the distribution and boundaries of electoral districts. I am taking this step of writing to the AEC to strongly urge the AEC to retain the electoral district of Higgins. As a long-time resident of Higgins, I am strongly cognisant that Higgins is a cohesive, well-defined electoral district with a particular local character and needs. I deem it extremely important to be able to engage with a representative who is familiar with our local character and needs, and we are fortunate to have an MP who is responsive to her constituents and responds to correspondence in a speedy, thoughtful and direct manner. Many of us who are residents of Higgins share common concerns that have been addressed effectively on a local level. If Higgins is dissolved and its neighbourhoods absorbed into other districts, it will be far less likely that our local needs will be viewed in a similar serious manner.

I understand that the provision of local access and care is a major point in deciding the distribution and boundaries of electoral districts. My neighbours, my wife and I and many other local friends who are residents of Higgins feel very strongly that our democratic rights to representation and access will be negatively impacted if Higgins is dissolved, and we strongly urge you not to take this route.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

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