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Hello,

I am helping put the case to honour General Sir John Monash with an electorate name change.

Until a few years ago, I was ignorant of who the man really was and what he achieved and I was appalled to discover that this ignorance was widespread. He was such an amazing man, I am doing everything I can to have a feature movie made about him so that current and future generations will know what he achieved and not be as ignorant as the last two generations.

Monash was born in the electorate and served in it after his amazing efforts on the Western Front. He is credited with winning WW1 and that claim is not far off being absolute truth. The German High Command acknowledged Monash broke their back and their will. He is arguably the greatest ever Australian and he certainly deserves this name change. And he did all of this against immense odds.

300,000 people lined the streets from Melbourne to St Kilda for his funeral in 1932 and that number has never been equaled and is the equivalent of nearly 1.5 million people today. Back then they knew who he was but a cone of silence has existed since.

Monash was instrumental in the construction of The Shrine of Remembrance and was the father of Latrobe Valley electricity development.

He was a bridge builder of note and many of his bridges are still in use today, including Princes Bridge which he had a hand in building.

If anyone deserves to be honoured it is Sir John.

If I need to put a more extensive case, please let me know.

Sincerely
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I was recommending a change of name for the seat of 'Melbourne Ports' to 'Monash'