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**Subject:** Redistribution of federal seat of Leichhardt

I am writing to express my concern at the proposal to extend the seat of Kennedy to include the southern suburbs of Cairns. Kennedy is a predominantly rural seat and the member for that seat cannot be expected to handle urban matters that relate to the whole of Cairns, the major regional city in Far North Queensland. Residents of Edmonton and Gordonvale and entitled to feel that they are valuable members of the Cairns community – taken care of at federal level by a member whose base is in the city – the member for Kennedy is based in Mt Isa which is far too far away to provide valid representation.

I do not live in the any of the affected suburbs, nor have any intention of living there; I believe strongly that Cairns deserves to be respected as a major regional city and be fully incorporated into one seat. If the city exceeds the size required for one federal seat the only alternative is to create a new seat which would be based in Cairns and perhaps incorporate the Cassowary Coast Regional Council area (Innisfail, Tully and Mission Beach)

Yours sincerely

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