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Working to achieve better health and medical services for Phillip Island and San Remo

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Australian Electoral Commission,
Level 1 Urban Workshop,
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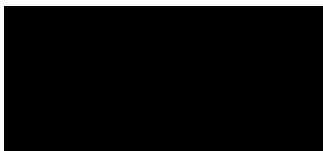
Dear Sir,

Re: Proposed Federal boundary change to Flinders, Vic

I am writing to you to express concern that this proposed change in boundaries will be disadvantageous to Phillip Island. Westernport Bay provides a natural boundary and common link within the existing electorate of Flinders enabling the Federal representative to work to protect the community of interest regarding the protection of biodiversity and migratory wildlife that inhabit Westernport, work to secure the best outcomes for an area united by this geographic and environmental linkage, especially in times when climate change, coastal inundation and erosion are becoming increasingly important. The area currently bounded by Flinders also has a commonality of interest in terms of demographic changes, with sea change retirees moving to these areas and impacting upon the health and aged care provisions required. Economically there is a common focus upon tourism as a major focus for the economy in this area.

Our organisation does not see that changing the boundary to move Phillip Island and eastern shore of Western Port between Koo Wee Rup and San Remo into an area that is primarily agricultural would definitely not be to the advantage of the economic, environmental and physical well being of the electorate of the island community. Western Port Bay binds the geographical areas of the existing Flinders electorate together and we would request that this is not changed.

Regards



Linda Marston

Hon. Secretary of PIMHAG

