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Response to the Australian Electoral Commission proposal for the electoral Division of Denison to be re-named the Division of Clark

I propose that the Division of Denison be re-named "Inglis Clark".

I agree that Andrew Inglis Clark made a significant contribution to Australian society, and that re-naming the electoral Division of Denison after him provides an appropriate recognition of that contribution. I have publically supported the proposal by the Australian Electoral Commission.

Since the Commission's announcement of 20 July 2017, the argument has been made to me that the single name "Clark" is not clear enough in identifying Andrew Inglis Clark. It is a common Australian surname and people could, for example, confuse the association with other significant Australians such as Manning Clark, Marcus Clarke or Michael Clarke.

Naming the Division "Inglis Clark" in no way departs from or diminishes the appropriateness of the Commission's decision, but it does make it much more certain that the public will identify the name-holder as Andrew Inglis Clark.

Yours sincerely



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