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Warrnambool ALP Branch

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Victorian Redistribution objections uploaded from the AEC website.

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Additional information: I have attached a document from ALP Warrnambool supporting AEC decision. We cannot fit all of our response into this box so we need to attach a doc.



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Australian Electoral Commission

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Warrnambool Australian Labor Party Branch would like to support the judgement of the Redistribution Committee for Victoria in its "Proposed redistribution of Victoria into electoral divisions" report of April, where it decided NOT to accede to a request to rename the electorate of Wannon to Fraser. We commend the AEC for adhering to the guidelines:

1. Federation Divisional names – Every effort should be made to retain the names of original federation divisions.
2. Aboriginal names – Aboriginal names should be used where appropriate and as far as possible existing Aboriginal divisional names should be retained.
3. When new divisions are created the names of Prime Ministers should be considered.

We draw to the Committee's attention the scant support for the re-naming of Wannon in the electorate itself. A poll conducted in July 2016 by the Warrnambool Standard, a newspaper with a readership of 119,000 covering towns such as Portland, Hamilton and Warrnambool could only muster 80 responses to the question Should Wannon be renamed Fraser after the Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser? 42 people answered YES, 37 answered NO. This reveals a lack of interest and a near 50/50 split of views. <http://www.standard.net.au/story/4037623/new-start-poll/>

We concur with the Redistribution Committee's solution for the memory of the late former Prime Minister. We see the naming as a matter of national significance rather than local sentiment. Your proposal to instead name the new Victorian seat "Fraser" is in keeping with

the AEC guidelines enabling preservation of the 1901 Federation history of “Wannon” and the aboriginal associations of this electorate.

Lynn Lyles
Secretary, Warrnambool ALP Branch