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Dear Sirs,

Along with The Committee for Maryborough, council members and friends, I do not wish to become a part of the Division of Mallee. Personally I have nothing whatsoever in common with the region and never go there.

Given that "in relation to each proposed federal electoral division, give due consideration to:

1. community of interests within the proposed federal electoral division, including economic, social and regional interests
2. means of communication and travel within the proposed federal electoral division
3. the physical features and area of the proposed federal electoral division, and
4. the boundaries of existing federal electoral divisions in Victoria"

it doesn't make sense as Mildura is just too different and too far. People here travel to Ballarat and Bendigo, not Mildura. Everyday connectivity happens in all areas of life with these two towns.

Such a move to Mallee would only disadvantage this shire further and it has been taking incredible steps to improve health, education and social wellbeing. There is the possibility of leveraging the shire's geographical proximity to Bendigo and Ballarat for further growth, with the aim to lead Maryborough to become a centre for excellence for rural economic transformation and renewal. It has fabulous potential given its services, cultural history and geographical location, to bring new residents and tourists. Shifting the Shire puts the brakes on and barriers up for our progress and wellbeing of a community that is small enough and cohesive enough to care.

We would be on the very fringe of a vast electorate, one of the most safely held seats in federal parliament, which suggests that our shire will be more likely to be neglected or disadvantaged in allocation of federal programs and funding.

We need support for our efforts, not this suggested hindrance.

Yours sincerely,

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