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To: Redistribution Committee for NSW Australian Electoral Commission

Re: Comments on the Proposed Redistribution of the Division of Warringah

I write to object to the proposed redistribution of the division of Warringah and in this respect support Objection #671 lodged by my local member of parliament, Zali Steggall.

In particular, I agree with her objection that it is critical that the Redistribution Committee keep inner metropolitan communities of interest together and that this can be achieved by:

- Moving the boundaries of the division of North Sydney in a northerly direction and allowing the electorates surrounding to assume the required number of voters from Bradfield as set out in Suggestion 22 from Kylea Tink MP. This approach would allow the business and commercial areas of North Sydney and Chatswood as well as the medical precincts of Royal North Shore Hospital and the Mater Hospital to remain together in a single federal electorate. These areas are closely connected by major roadways, heavy rail and the soon to be open Metro rail line;
- Moving the boundaries of the Division of Mackellar westward into St Ives, which shares a close connection via the Garigal and Ku-Ring-Gai national parks and a direct transport connection along Mona Vale Road;
- The Division of Berowra to move east to include the area around Hornsby. This approach allows the areas around Killarney Heights and Forestville, Dee Why and North Curl Curl to continue the strong links they share with communities within Warringah and remain in the division;
- On the Lower North Shore, Warringah can expand into the North Sydney LGA up to the eastern side of the Warringah Freeway, including the whole of Kirribilli, areas of Neutral Bay not already part of the division, North Cremorne and Cammeray.

Yours sincerely

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