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Dear AEC team,

Subject: Objection to the 2023-2024 New South Wales Federal Redistribution – North Sydney Electorate

I am writing to lodge an objection to the proposed federal redistribution of the North Sydney electorate, represented by Independent MP Kylea Tink. As a former resident and voter in this electorate, I believe that the proposed changes will have significant adverse effects on our community for the following reasons:

1. Community of Interest:

The North Sydney electorate comprises a cohesive community with shared interests, services, and infrastructure. The proposed changes would disrupt this community by arbitrarily dividing neighbourhoods that have traditionally worked together to address local issues. This disruption will weaken the representation of our community's collective voice in the federal parliament.

2. Impact on Representation:

 MP Kylea Tink has been a strong advocate for our local issues, including urban development, public transportation, and environmental sustainability. The proposed boundary changes will dilute her ability to effectively represent and advocate for the unique needs of our community. This is particularly concerning given her independent status, which relies heavily on the support and unity of her current constituents.

3. Geographic Considerations:

The proposed redistribution does not adequately consider the geographic and logistical realities of our area. For instance, the changes would incorporate areas that have significantly different infrastructure and service needs. This would result in a less efficient allocation of resources and support for residents, as the MP would need to address a broader and more diverse set of issues.

4. Historical Boundaries:

 The North Sydney electorate has historically maintained certain boundaries that reflect longstanding community ties and functional regions. The proposed changes disregard these historical boundaries, leading to a potential loss of community identity and continuity in representation.

I respectfully urge the New South Wales Augmented Electoral Commission to reconsider the proposed changes to the North Sydney electorate. It is crucial that any redistribution maintains the integrity and effectiveness of our community's representation in federal parliament.

Thank you for considering my objection.

Yours sincerely,

Oliver Wen