



Objection 110

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Australian Electoral Commission

Attn: Redistribution Secretariat

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Subject: Formal Objection to the Proposed Redistribution of the North Sydney Electorate

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed redistribution of the North Sydney electorate as announced by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC). As a resident and constituent of North Sydney, I am deeply concerned about the implications of dissolving this electorate and merging it with adjoining electorates.

The North Sydney electorate has a unique identity and community character that distinguishes it from neighbouring areas. The proposed changes fail to recognize the distinct socio-economic, cultural, and historical attributes that define North Sydney. The electorate has a cohesive community with shared interests and concerns, which are best represented by a dedicated Member of Parliament.

Merging North Sydney with adjoining electorates will dilute the representation of our community and undermine the effectiveness of our local governance. The specific needs and priorities of North Sydney residents may not be adequately addressed if we are absorbed into larger, more diverse electorates. This could lead to a significant disconnect between the constituents and their elected representatives.

Furthermore, the proposed changes could disrupt the continuity of local projects, initiatives, and services that have been tailored to the unique needs of North Sydney. The electorate has a long-standing history of active civic engagement and community participation, which could be adversely affected by the redistribution.

I urge the AEC to reconsider the proposed changes and retain the North Sydney electorate as a distinct and separate entity. Preserving the integrity of our electorate is crucial for ensuring effective representation and maintaining the strong sense of community that defines North Sydney.

Thank you for considering my objection. I trust that the AEC will take into account the concerns of

North Sydney residents and make a decision that reflects the best interests of our community.

Yours sincerely,

Alexander Houghton