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Australian Electoral Commission
NSW Redistribution Secretariat

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ABOLITION OF NORTH SYDNEY

I am a local resident of North Sydney. My business Janez Media also operates out of the electorate.

I am writing to you to object to the proposed abolition of the federal seat of North Sydney.

North Sydney has a strong local cohesive community feel. As an example, I am a member of and Chair of the board of the Hunters Hill Club which is predominantly made up of members who are located in the electorate and have a strong sense of identity relating to it.

As a business owner, I am concerned that the abolition of the electorate may result in poorer representation due to differing needs of the proposed new electorate.

Most relevantly though I have followed the debate around the NSW government's plans to increase housing density in different local areas, and feel that the AEC's decision does not take into account the proposed population changes that will result from that policy, as well as expected population changes over the next decade. It is entirely feasible that the supposed reasons to abolish the electorate will no longer be valid in a very short space of time.

I would like to be kept up to date on the AEC's assessment and review of its proposed decision.

Yours sincerely

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