



**THE FEDERAL
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NEW SOUTH WALES**

Objection 190

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I wish to object to the redistribution of boundaries which has resulted in the abolition of the Federal Electorate of North Sydney.

The loss of this seat is a blow to our community which has been fortunate to have had a number of high-profile Parliamentary members who have worked successfully to engender a sense of identity and pride in our community

In my case, I will now be in the electorate of Warringah on the other side of Middle Harbour and accessed by Spit or Roseville Bridges. This boundary takes little notice of the natural geographic boundaries of the North Sydney electorate. I rarely go into the Warringah Electorate.

Municipal boundaries (North Sydney Council) and portion of the State boundary (Willoughby) are within the current North Sydney electorate. As a volunteer distributing 'how to vote' information to voters on polling day, I am well aware of the confusion of some electors as to their electorate and candidates. This redistribution will compound this confusion.

Most of my social activities are within North Sydney and its environs. My local library is in North Sydney. I often attend talks there and at North Sydney Council Chambers. I am an executive member of a Precinct Committee of residents of North Sydney. Municipality. I attend local markets. I shop in North Sydney and will access rail transport there. I play golf at a local golf course. I attend the Ensemble Theatre (well-known to residents.) I went to school in North Sydney.

I have been active in support of Political candidates at a municipal, state and Federal level.

Most of my social, educational and political ties are within North Sydney. Redistribution of North Sydney boundaries will have a detrimental effect on community cohesion and identity.

NSW government housing policies and the opening of transport hubs will see a significant increase in our local population which may lead to the need to redistribute boundaries.

I request the electoral boundaries be reconsidered so that North Sydney electorate can be retained.

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