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# Objection 657

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Australian Electoral Commission

I write to object about the abolishing of the North Sydney Electorate. I have lived in the electorate for 21 years.

North Sydney is one of the original divisions contested at the very first federal election. The electorate has a proud history of accomplished representatives including a Prime Minister, federal treasurer, the first openly gay member of the HOR and a number of independents, namely, Ted Mack and the current member, Kylea Tink. What a ridiculous idea to abolish one of the oldest electorates and cast history aside.

Abolishing a whole electorate seems to be an extreme measure. It makes those constituents currently in the North Sydney electorate feel abandoned and disenfranchised. Of course we would get to vote in our 'new' electorates but that does not diminish the feeling of betrayal that the electorate I have live in for over 20 years is to be totally abolished.

I urge the Commission to reconsider this decision. I am sure there must be other alternatives to recalibrate the surrounding electorates to achieve the outcome required.

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