



Objection Number 22

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From: Kate & Lou O'Connor [katenlou@bigpond.net.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 7:42 PM
To: VIC Redistribution
Subject: Murray Electorate

Sir/Madam,

We wish to register our profound disappointment at your bid to eliminate the federal seat of Murray in your redistribution proposal of parliamentary seats.

As a country based electorate, we deserve the right as much as anyone, to voice our concerns in national issues & find that your proposed sacrifice of a country seat in favour of creation of an additional metropolitan electorate to be quite demeaning of our ability to be heard.

The wishes of residents in rural/county electorates are as vitally important as those of their city based counterparts. We often have different orders of priorities in vital issues & we are just as entitled to have those issues addressed. The perceived disproportion of metropolitan electorates to rural electorates does not need to be further imbalanced by trading our Murray electorate for a newly established city one. We in Murray, value our voice in parliament and are most displeased that your intentions are to silence that voice & replace it with yet another metropolitan influence.

We would be grateful if you could take our concerns into consideration during the course of your deliberations into this preposterous proposal & continue to allow the voice of country people to be given the same priority as metropolitan citizens.

Yours faithfully,
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