



Objection Number 23

Jennifer Margaret Briody and Michael Joseph Briody

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From: Ace Sheds - Mick Briody [acesheds1@bigpond.com]
Sent: Wednesday, 25 August 2010 8:04 PM
To: VIC Redistribution
Subject: Objection

Sir/madam,

Both my wife and I wish to formally object to the abolition of the Federal seat of Murray.

We realise that the electoral distribution is based on registered voter numbers and there is a significant disadvantage to have an electorate either too big or too small, however to annex the seat of Murray to adjoining electorates would not be in the best interest of the voters.

Annexing part of the Murray electorate with Indi would not properly service the voters in the annexed Murray section, as the issues in Murray are far removed from those of Indi. Irrigation is basically not an issue in Indi, whereas it is probably one of the most important in Murray.

Might I suggest that a better annexation would be to annex the top half of the Mallee electorate to Murray, keeping many of the related issues including Irrigation in the one electorate, then annexing the balance of Mallee with Wannon to form an electorate with similar issues in agriculture.

There may need to be a boundry re-alignment with the Bendigo, Ballarat & Corangamite electorates, westward to balance out the electorate numbers.

The Murray electorate certainly does not need a "City Centric" member representing it. Only a country based member understands the issues that affect country people. Likewise, country members really cannot fully understand the issues city voters deal with, when they seem so trivial compared to country issues that ultimately affect members, towns, business' and ultimately whole regions.

I respectfully request that you lodge two objections to the proposed boundry realignment or annexation of the Murray Electorate, on behalf of my wife and I

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Sincerely

Mick Briody