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My wife and I have lived in Strathmore, part of the Maribyrnong electorate, for nearly 50 years. It has come to our attention that there is a submission recommending Keilor be relocated to Maribyrnong, apparently on the basis that middle-class suburbs be aligned. I am not sure that this is a good idea as the idea of defining electoral boundaries around such class distinctions is not only frightening but is also perhaps impossible. I have recently spent several hours letterboxing flyers around Strathmore and Essendon and was taken with the variations between residences within what would be considered a uniformly very well-off area. Some of the housing I observed would contradict that notion.

The community of Keilor seems well situated within Brimbank on both sides of the Calder Freeway and Old Calder Highway. Also, some parts of Maribyrnong East and North of Keilor are undeveloped land, obviously with no established connections to Keilor. There is no logical basis on which the suggestion to move Keilor into Maribyrnong could proceed. Please leave Maribyrnong as it is.