



The Federal Redistribution 2009
QUEENSLAND



**Comment Number 8
on Public Suggestions**

Graham Perrett MP Member for Moreton

1 page



Graham Perrett MP



FEDERAL MEMBER FOR MORETON

6 May 2009

The Redistribution Committee
Australian Electoral Commission
GPO Box 2590
BRISBANE QLD 4001



Dear Sir / Madam

I am writing to support a proposal by Mrs Gladys Waters that the new Federal seat proposed for Queensland is called Waters after her late husband Leonard Victor (Len) Waters.

Mrs Waters is technically not one of my constituents but our two families used to live together in the Queensland town of St George for many years and it is for this reason that I am providing my support for this proposal. The Waters family continues to be very well regarded in the St George district and has a long proud history of community service.

Len Waters (June 29, 1924 – August 24, 1993) was the first Australian indigenous military pilot and was one of only four indigenous Australians to serve in the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) during World War II.

Mr Waters' life has already been commemorated in several ways such as his depiction on an Australia Post Stamp and a monument being erected to him in St George.

Given Len Waters served his country and rose to the rank of Warrant Officer in the RAAF at a time in Australia's history when he wasn't even eligible to vote, I believe the naming of the new Queensland electorate after him as a fitting tribute to honour his legacy and sacrifice.

Yours sincerely

Graham Perrett MP
Federal Member for Moreton

Delivering for our Community