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To Whom It May Concern:

Prior to the last redistribution, the Federal Seat of Wide Bay included Hervey Bay and Maryborough. In the redistribution, Hervey Bay was removed from the seat of Wide Bay and tacked onto Hinkler.

Geographically & culturally this is not acceptable. Maryborough and Hervey Bay now are governed locally by the Fraser Coast Regional Council and have long held close geographical & cultural ties. However, Hinkler is essentially a Bundaberg based seat which has no links to the Hervey Bay & Maryborough area. Traditionally there has always been great rivalry between the Bundaberg and Maryborough/Hervey Bay towns. Hervey Bay constituents now feel they no longer have the representation that they had previously within the Wide Bay.

Wide Bay is the name given to the area of Hervey Bay, Maryborough and the hinterland. Therefore Hervey Bay should once again be returned to the Wide Bay Federal Seat.

Yours sincerely

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