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Additional information: Please see attached my objection to the PROPOSED REDISTRIBUTION OF FEDERAL ELECTORAL DIVISIONS IN VICTORIA after reading some other objections. Thanks for your time and consideration.

Objection to boundary redistribution – Flemington and Kensington

I wish to place on the record my objection to the redistribution to the boundaries of Flemington to remove it from the Melbourne electoral boundary and shift it to the Maribyrnong division.

My primary concern relates to splitting Flemington from the community of Kensington. Although these places are separately named, I consider them to be one community. When talking about our community, a lot of the residents refer to it simply as 'FlemKen'.

These two suburbs, which share a postcode, are very close not only geographically but in many other ways too. We share a community culture, identity and history. By moving Flemington to the division of Maribyrnong, you will be further compounding an issue that was created when Flemington was placed under the watch of Moonee Valley council and Kensington left with City of Melbourne.

This community is being torn in two and it seems the powers that be are more worried about ensuring the rules for the sake of rules are followed then the effect on the people and communities that the powers that be are there to look after.

Some of the shared history is just that, history. I fully understand that the world must move on, but there is still a vibrant shared culture and identity that should be looked after and maintained for the people who are living it in the here and now. Flem Ken RSL, Flem Ken Bowls Club, the town hall, lots of sports clubs, social clubs and amenities continue to be shared by our community every day and have been for a long time.

The make-up of our community in terms of ethnicity, lifestyle choice, outlook and age much more reflects the current electoral area we are in and moving us would make the suburb feel excluded and unimportant to the new area.

I know there are other options in terms of redistribution and I really hope you will consider the above and the other objections that have been raised and find a way to leave Flemington out of the redistribution and retain of significate relationship with Kensington. FlemKen would be forever grateful.

Regards		
Barry Taylor		