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To: <u>FedRedistribution - VIC</u>

Subject: Renaming of the Electorate of McMillan Date: Tuesday, 1 May 2018 2:32:36 PM

To whom it may concern,

Please allow me to suggest that, given the name of the electorate of McMillan is to be changed it would be fitting to allow elders of affected indigenous peoples now living, to rename the electorate.

Given the atrocities effected on the ancestors of these people, it would seem a fitting gesture in the interests of reconciliation. Reconciliation is in the best interests of our nation and every effort should be taken to properly heal the transgressions of the past. To quickly change the name to another and so re-bury the history involved in this sad tale will do nothing for the ability of our nation to recognise, re-evaluate and honour the culture of indigenous people. There is still much our western culture can learn from aboriginal culture to be successful in this land we so often and increasingly struggle with when it comes to land management and natural Lore.

I respectfully request that the naming committee be re-called to favourably consider the wishes of the GunaiKurnai people and associated groups.

Yours Sincerely Ian Onley