



## Objection 297

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Redistribution Secretariat, AEC, GPO Box 768, Melbourne, 3001

Dear Sir/Madam,

We would like to strongly object to the proposed redistribution of the Dunkley electorate. We have been living in Mornington for over 16 years, and love the whole area. We really identify with the area and it's surrounding towns in the northern part of the Mornington Peninsula. To remove Mornington and Baxter from Dunkley would be very disappointing.

We believe there has not been sufficient population growth in the Dunkley region to warrant removing Mornington and Baxter from the electorate. The northern end of the Mornington Peninsula – Mornington, Mt Eliza, Baxter, Moorooduc, and by default Frankston and Langwarrin – have a very close relationship with each other. We shop in Mt Eliza and Frankston often and feel a strong connection to the area.

The urbanised electorate of Dunkley caters well to Mornington and Baxter's needs. To move them from Dunkley to the regional electorate of Flinders will not sufficiently allow for our towns requirements. We already straddle the boundary between city and country. In some eyes Mornington is part of the greater city of Melbourne, and in others we are a regional town. The Mornington of 2018 is a very urbanised town. It is no longer a sleepy country town the likes of Red Hill or Sorrento. We identify more with the city than the country. We identify more strongly with the Dunkley electorate than we do the Flinders electorate.

We hope you consider our arguments when the time to make a decision comes.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa & Mark Henry.