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**From:** Charles and Heather Young  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 9 May 2018 12:29 PM  
**To:** FedRedistribution - SA  
**Subject:** We want to stay in Boothby!

Dear Australian Electoral Commission,

As residents of the Eden Hills/Blackwood/Craigburn Farm area during the past 38 years, we wish to register that we totally support the current position; ie the Federal electorate of Boothby.

During this period I have represented the Craigburn Ward as an elected Councillor of the City of Mitcham (2 terms) and I am a member of a number of the Blackwood area community activities; eg RSL, Probus Club of Hawthorndene, local church, etc and I am currently a Justice of the Peace within the area. We see no perceived benefit whatsoever for the local area in adopting the proposed change.

Craigburn Farm and Hawthorndene are part of the Mitcham Hills and have their strongest links with the Blackwood area. Residents here have much less in common with Mount Barker, the Fleurieu Peninsula and Kangaroo Island, which form the heart of the electorate of Mayo.

In our area we share much more community, retail and transport infrastructure with the rest of Boothby than we do with residents in the federal electorate of Mayo.

Most residents in our area will use Flinders Medical Centre and Flinders University located at Bedford Park in the heart of Boothby at some point in their lives, and many work at these centres. These community of interest, travel, economic and social factors should be given much more weight by the Electoral Commission.

Craigburn Farm and Hawthorndene are densely populated suburbs in greater metropolitan Adelaide. We want to retain access to our locally based Federal Member of Parliament in Boothby, rather than a Federal MP in Mount Barker.

We object to the Commission's draft boundaries that will see our area moved out of Boothby for the first time in 84 years.

Yours sincerely, Charles and Heather Young