



The Federal Redistribution 2006  
NEW SOUTH WALES



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Australian Electoral Commission  
Redistribution Committee for New South Wales  
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Re: Proposed Redistribution of Parramatta

Dear Members of the Redistribution Committee,

I am writing to voice my strong objection to the proposed new boundaries for the Federal seat of Parramatta.

The redistribution loses the suburb of Parramatta, the Central Business District (CBD) and many of the historic landmarks within Parramatta. The redistribution ignores this areas most prominent natural feature, the Parramatta River, in favour of less obvious man made features, such Victoria Road. As such the redistribution divorces the place, community and history of Parramatta from the electorate that bears their name.

Also, there are valuable business synergies, which are achieved through having the local, state and federal governments all named and representing the same area. These benefits will be lost if the redistribution goes forward as proposed.

I would suggest the Committee should extend the southern boundary of the electorate along the railway line from Park Street Westmead to Smith Street Parramatta. Then turn North along Smith Street and Wilde Street to Victoria Road. This boundary would include most of the CBD, all of historic Parramatta Park along with many other historic sites within the Division of Parramatta. These changes would not increase the voting population by very much as the CBD and Parramatta Park both have very few dwellings within them.

In conclusion, I respectfully request that the redistribution Committee rethinks your actions with a view to maintaining the economic and historic integrity of Parramatta.

Sincerely yours

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