### **COMMENT ON PUBLIC SUGGESTION**

The Federal Redistribution 2009
NSW

## Comment on Public Suggestion Number 5

by

**Warren Shire Council** 

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Dear Sir

#### Re: NSW Electoral Redistribution - Comment on Suggestions

As a result of the suggestions forwarded to you regarding this redistribution, Warren Shire Council fully supports the concept as advocated by both the Australian Labor Party - NSW and the National Party Australia - NSW in the abolition of a metropolitan seat.

Both these major parties realise the importance and equity of representation of rural seats bearing in mind agriculture still contributes over 40% of economic activity of New South Wales and farmers manage over 70% of the State's land mass.

Council realises that the abolition of a metropolitan seat would require considerable boundary adjustments and on closer examination of these suggestions, it appears that the seat of **Banks** has the least continuity of community interest. This result will enable rural and regional seats to be maintained, ensuring fair representation of non-metropolitan residents and help overcome the difficulties rural constituents face in accessing their local member.

I am willing to expand further should you require.

Yours faithfully

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Mayor

