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I would like to lodge my objection to changing the name of the Reid electorate in NSW.

I feel that the name Reid has represented its constituents well as a long time Labour Labour seat. More pertinent is the fact that it has been appropriately named after one of Australia's founding members George Reid. What an insult to his and his families heritage and memory , his achievements as an ex prime minister to have this honour taken away for no apparently sound reason.

I also have concerns that it may lead to the end of the parliamentary career of MP Mr Laurie Ferguson whom I have known as a strong, honest and committed politician who stands up for the rights of his local community . I have had the privilege to work with Mr Ferguson in my role as the manager of Granville Youth and Community Centre for Parramatta City Council. Laurie has also advocated for all members of his electorate across all ages and the diverse ethnicity's of the Reid electorate. He would be sorely missed if he stood down at this time.

Finally how ironic to name this area after a liberal PM who achieved very little in his career compared to George Reid.

I feel like we are back in the Howard days where things just change without much notice and for no good reason. thank goodness that Mr Reid's grand daughter was able to bring this to public attention via the local news.

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