



**THE FEDERAL
REDISTRIBUTION
NEW SOUTH WALES**

Objection 309

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To: the New South Wales augmented Electoral Commission

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My Objection for the New South Wales federal redistribution

Dear Sir/Madam

I object to the Electoral Commission's proposal to abolish the federal seat of North Sydney.

This seat is my community since I was a few months old. It is where I grew up. I am a proud North Sydney constituent.

I also became politically active here. Although I was not yet 18, I became a volunteer in 2022 and did my bit to help elect Kylea Tink, our Independent MP. This was an incredible movement. I saw first-hand how incredible our entire electorate is – how united and passionate our larger community became to oust the incumbent Liberal candidate. This must be applauded, not dissected.

I agree with the statement that North Sydney Electorate is a diverse electorate with sensible boundaries, good facilities and strong connections. I experience this all the time. Do not let us lose this by the proposed amalgamations with Bennelong, Bradfield and Warringah.

Lastly, our great and vibrant community should not be abolished if the AEC did not consider existing and future population growth numbers when making its decision. The NSW State Government plans to see 5,900 new homes built in the North Sydney LGA alone by 2029. In addition to this, North Sydney Council is expecting 19,500 new residents to move into the area by 2036. This is a 27% increase in just one of the four LGAs that currently make up the seat of North Sydney. Clearly, abolishing our seat would be completely counterproductive, a waste of taxpayer money, time and a pity for our great community to have to suffer the consequences of bad decision making procedures.

I oppose the draft proposal to abolish North Sydney federal seat.

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