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I am writing to strongly oppose the AEC's proposal to abolish the Federal seat of North Sydney. It is proposed the electorate be divided and amalgamated into the three neighbouring electorates of Warringah, Bennelong and Bradfield.

Strong community.

North Sydney is a strong community with many generations of families living in this electorate. Both my husband and I grew up in Northbridge and Castlecrag and attended schools, sporting facilities and churches in this area. We have many friends who we have known for many years also choosing to live in this electorate.

We now live in Northbridge and worked very hard to have our Independent MP, Kylea Tink represent us as our Federal Member. Kylea's campaign attracted well over 2000 volunteers who were willing to spend many hours to have her elected. She has attracted large electoral support and has helped to unify our electorate. Surely this is proof of our community in North Sydney working together for the good of our electorate.

Historical significance

North Sydney as an electorate has existed since Federation and was one of 75 electorates in the first Federal election in 1901. It is very disappointing the AEC has this proposal to abolish our electorate.

Population growth

Our population is growing and will be heavily impacted with development at our new metro stations. The NSW Government is planning for homes to be increased in our electorate to approximately 24,000 by 2029. This population increase has to be considered by the AEC. Why abolish an electorate when the population increase is very real in the near future.

Natural and beautiful environment.

North Sydney electorate is a beautiful area, hugging Sydney Harbour, Middle Harbour and the Parramatta River. The area abounds in unspoilt environment, with a myriad of birds, native animals and plants. As such there are hundreds of community clubs such as sailing clubs, walking clubs, kyaking groups, nature care group's all supporting and caring for our natural environment.

In Northbridge we have wallabies, echidnas, liar birds, powerful owls, and many more birds and animals which the community is determined to protect and support. This community cohesion which is found in our North Sydney electorate is so important to maintain, as it will prove invaluable in future years of uncertainty due to climate change.

We in North Sydney value our cultural diversity, with almost half of our population being born overseas. The growth in wonderful restaurants, shops and businesses has enriched our electorate and gives us a strong identity of welcoming new migrants.

We are a vibrant and strong community, and I strongly reject the AEC proposal to abolish North Sydney.

Yours sincerely,

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