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Australian Electoral Commission

The NSW Redistribution Committee

By email FedRedistribution-NSW@aec.gov.au

Subject: Draft plans to abolish the federal seat of North Sydney in the proposed 2024 NSW redistribution

My name is Julian Coxall, I purchased my property in Crows Nest in 1993, within the Federal seat of North Sydney and have always felt a very strong sense of community and inclusion. My children attended the local schools, also I've always worked near our electorate. Our community is formed by the diverse but inclusive, eclectic, creative, positive and energetic people that believe, work and aspire to create the best society they can. I believe that we are proud to be one of the founding electorates since Federation which has now been in place for more than half of the time since English settlement and we take the responsibility of continually improving this wonderful electorate.

I believe that the seat of North Sydney must not be abolished because:

1. There is overwhelming evidence that the population within our electorate is and will be significantly increasing, please take note of the number of high-rise unit towers being built, the proposed residential developments and the changes in development control planning to facilitate substantial increases in population density. The data presented by ABS and referenced in the AEC's proposal fails to account for this growth. The data is both flawed and misleading.
2. This increase in population density supports the feasibility of the 2 new additional rail stations that are about to be completed less than 1 kilometre from my address despite there currently being 2 stations within a similar distance.
3. I am reliably informed that North Sydney is home to the third-largest business centre in the country, it is imperative that North Sydney's businesses and industrial zones have the focus of a dedicated local member.
4. I fully endorse a comment made by another objector that has stated "North Sydney is a cohesive and engaged community: North Sydney is home to many environmental, humanitarian, religious and social groups all working together to improve our community. It is telling that we were one of the first electorates to stand up for independent representation in 2022, and one of the few to vote for an Indigenous Voice to Parliament in the 2023 referendum." Both of these fact speaks immeasurably about the type of electorate we have developed, such a community is truly priceless and a wonderful example of how people can and will work together

Yours faithfully Julian Coxall