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Details: This is my personal statement to the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC)

Re : Tasmanian Federal Redistribution

Ironically I was born in the Franklin Hospital Tasmanian and grew up in the Huon and Kingborough municipalities and have resided in the Tasman region for the last 18 years

I am a proud Aboriginal man and currently a board member of the Parrdarrama Pungenna Aboriginal Corporation (PPAC) which encompasses a lot of the country with in this proposal . Unfortunately as a board we have not been invited to have any involvement with this naming .

However I applaud the retiring of the name Franklin and replacing with an Aboriginal persons name .

But I feel Tongerlongeter would be mortified to have his name used in such a manner, he fought till his death for this country and people and was let down miserably by the British.

However Mathinna would be a great choice as the young Tasmanian Aboriginal girl known by this name already shares a traumatic story with the Franklins and to have her trump them and her name used in this sense would make a very fitting tribute to her extremely sad, stolen childhood.

Also given that the current breakdown of the 150

Australian Federal Electorates state that -
58.7 % are named after a man
12 % are named after a woman
5.3 % are named after after a Aboriginal or Torres
Straight Islander person

I think the numbers do all the talking there, its
obvious that a change to Aboriginal womans name would
the best fit and universality acceptable for the new
Electorate.

Yours
Grant Walter

This public suggestion was written and lodged on the
19/ 07 / 2026 by Grant Walter an Australian citizen


