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Parrdarrama Pungenna Aboriginal Corporation

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Submission to the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC)
To: The Redistribution Committee for Tasmania
From: Parrdarrama Pungenna Aboriginal Corporation (PPAC) INC 7133
Subject: Submission on Proposed Federal Electoral Boundaries and Electorate Naming.
The Parrdarrama Pungenna Aboriginal Corporation writes to formally register its position regarding the proposed federal electorate boundaries and naming conventions in Tasmania. As a recognised Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO), our corporation holds direct cultural authority over the traditional lands of the Oyster Bay Tribe. The geographic footprint of the proposed electorate directly intersects with our ancestral country. This status vests our organisation with the cultural mandate to advise on, approve, and advocate for the appropriate use of traditional language, historical figures, and place names within this region. We strongly advocate for the AEC to name the relevant federal electorate Tongerlongeter (tong ah long ada) should his name be used in recognition. We do not support the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre variant in the reconstructed language of palawa kani Tukalunginta (tuk ah lung een tah). This is due to the many Aboriginal language groups before colonisation with their own dialects. To align all languages to palawa kani is not supported by PPAC for recognition of one of our ancestors for the proposed redistributed electorate within our cultural authority. Our language words have their own dialect and pronunciation that is in line with other

historically recorded language words of the
paredareme language groups.
Tongerlongeter was a formidable leader and chief of
the Oyster Bay nation. He led a fierce resistance
campaign to defend his people, culture, and country
during the Black War.
Naming a federal seat after a significant Aboriginal
resistance leader aligns with national guidelines on
electoral naming, which encourage honoring Indigenous
history. It serves as a vital act of truth-telling
and reconciliation.
Because the proposed electorate spans across the
traditional lands of the Oyster Bay Tribe, utilising
this name roots the electorate's identity in the
true, deep history of the land it represents.
The Parrdarrama Pungenna Aboriginal Corporation
formally provides its cultural authorisation for the
use of the name Tongerlongeter for this federal seat.
We remind the Redistribution Committee that naming
conventions involving Aboriginal words or historical
figures must be guided by the appropriate,
contemporary ACCO holding cultural authority.
Our corporation represents the descendants and
modern-day cultural custodians of this country. We
explicitly support and endorse this name to ensure
Tasmanian Aboriginal history is elevated to the
federal stage.
We request that the Redistribution Committee fully
considers the weight of Indigenous cultural authority
when finalising the electorate boundaries and names.
Naming this seat Tongerlongeter is a profound way to
honor the enduring legacy of the Oyster Bay Tribe and
the Tasmanian Aboriginal communities.
We welcome the opportunity to consult further on this
matter.
