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Comment on Objections 123

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Ref: Objection to the redistribution that would result in the abolition of the seat of North Sydney.

I would like to object the proposed abolition of the seat of North Sydney because I strongly feel that residents in the division of North Sydney strongly identify with the geographic area of the lower North Shore – not the upper North Shore, nor Ryde nor the Northern Beaches. The residents share their day-to-day connections are within the boundaries of the existing division and they have no sense of identity with the new division into which it is proposed to move them.

The proposed boundary redistribution runs contrary to preserving this sense of geographic identity, attempting as it does to move the core of North Sydney to a Division with its centre of gravity on the Northern Beaches, and its western third to a Division with a Ryde-based centre of gravity.

Yours Faithfully

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