



**THE FEDERAL  
REDISTRIBUTION  
NEW SOUTH WALES**

# Objection 450

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To: The NSW Redistribution Committee

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**Draft plans to abolish the Federal seat of North Sydney in the proposed 2024 NSW redistribution**

Dear Sir/Madam

My name is Richard Nelson and I am a resident in the Federal seat of North Sydney from Naremburn. My family and I have lived here since 1994, attended local schools and support local businesses.

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

The seat of North Sydney is unique in that it is home to the third-largest business centre in the country and is undergoing rapid infrastructure change with the new Metro and substantial residential development along and around the Pacific Highway, a major arterial road linking the north shore to the Sydney CBD.

None of the newly proposed areas of Bradfield, Bennelong or Warringah come close to the having the level of business and growth that North Sydney is experiencing and it deserves the focus of a dedicated local federal member.

North Sydney is a cohesive and engaged community, respecting and valuing our cultural diversity, with half of our population born overseas and a third speaking a language other than English at home.

The historical significance of the federal seat of North Sydney is part of our community's identity. North Sydney is one of the 75 original federation divisions contested in Australia's first federal election 123 years ago.

I strongly oppose the draft proposal that the seat of North Sydney be abolished and request for it to remain intact, with minimal changes to accommodate changes in overall numbers of electors in NSW. Surely, there is another seat without the unique features of North Sydney that could be abolished?

Yours faithfully  
Richard Nelson

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