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I strongly object to the abolition of the seat of North Sydney and request for it to remain with minimal changes to accommodate changes in the overall number of electors in New South Wales.

My name is Roslyn Niall and I am a long term resident in the Federal Seat of North Sydney. I feel a very strong connection to the community as we have lived in our current home for over 47 years as well as residing in the electorate prior to this. We have worked in the community and our children have attended schools here. North Sydney is a cohesive and engaged community all working together to improve our community. We respect and value our cultural diversity with half or residents born overseas and one third speaking a language other than English at home.

Our very large business community (third largest in NSW) deserve the focus of a dedicated local member. I believe that we have very different agendas to Bradfield, Bennelong or Warringah..There is also the historical significance of the federal seat of North Sydney, one of the original federation divisions contested in Australia's first federal election 123 years ago.

I feel that the proposed abolition of the seat of North Sydney will be counterproductive with the proposed 5900 new homes in the North Sydney LGA alone by 2029. If that growth is replicated across the four LGA's currently in the federal seat of North Sydney, that would see more than 24,000 new homes built across the community. We would need more representation. Arguably the case to re-establish the seat come 2029 would be more obvious.

Once again, I most strongly object to the abolition of the federal seat of North Sydney.

Regards

Roslyn Niall