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Suggestion 23

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Submission to the Redistribution Committee

I call for an electorate in NSW to be named **Evatt**

Herbert Vere Evatt was:

Member of the NSW Legislative Assembly (Balmain) 1925 – 1930

High Court Judge 1930 – 1940

Member of the Federal Parliament (Barton) 1940 – 1960

Attorney General and Minister for External Affairs 1941 – 1949

Instrumental in the establishment of the United Nations

First President (1946) of the Atomic Energy Commission

President of United Nations General Assembly 1948 – 1949

Leader of the Opposition 1951 – 1960

NSW Chief Justice 1960 – 1962

Why has H.V.Evatt not already been recognised with the naming of an electorate?

The conservative side of politics has no interest in acknowledging his achievements and the Labor side of politics does not wish to re-visit the splits of the 1950s.

However, the Redistribution Commissioners should be able to consider the importance of H.V. Evatt dispassionately and finally recognise the contributions he made both to Australia and the world.

I would recommend either Shortland, named after a British naval officer who died in 1810, or Berowra, an electorate with a locality name, be the electorates considered for renaming.

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