



# Objection 244

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Additional information: This contains my objection to the proposed redistribution in Victoria. Because my address and contact details had to be entered when making this online submission, I didn't include them in my submission. If there's a problem with this, please contact me ASAP.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I wish to lodge an objection to the proposed redistribution of Federal electorates in Victoria. As a keen follower of political and electoral history, my objection relates to ...

\* The creation of a new division named Fraser;

\* The changing of the names of the divisions of Corangamite and Melbourne Ports and Murray.

My objection regarding the new division of Fraser stems from my belief that it's too soon to be naming a division after former PM Malcolm Fraser.

I have nothing against the former PM, or against the principle of naming divisions after former PMs after they've passed away. However, there used to be a division named Fraser in the ACT, which was to honour a long-serving ACT MHR. This division had a name change after the most recent Federal redistribution in the ACT, but it didn't happen too long ago.

I just feel that the former ACT division of Fraser hasn't been gone long enough for it to be forgotten, and that more time needs to elapse before a new division named Fraser can be created.

There's apparently no strict requirement to name divisions after former PMs in the immediate aftermath of their deaths. After all, the NSW divisions of McMahon and Page, both named after former PMs, didn't emerge until some twenty years after they'd passed away. As such, I don't believe that there needs to be a division named Fraser in Victoria just yet. Perhaps the next scheduled redistribution in Victoria would be a better time.

This objection leads to my objection regarding the proposed changing of the names of the divisions of Corangamite and Melbourne Ports and Murray.

I'm firmly opposed to the renaming of Corangamite, a division which has existed continuously since Federation in 1901 - hence a so-called Federation division. I know of the long-running efforts in previous redistributions all over Australia to preserve Federation divisions, such as Corangamite. Of course, despite such efforts, some Federation divisions have disappeared over time. But I don't see why Corangamite has to go. It should stay as it is.

These reasons are also behind why I'm against changing the name of the division of Melbourne Ports, another of those Federation divisions. That said, if it's deemed appropriate to abolish or rename a Federation division, I feel that Melbourne Ports should perhaps go. The reason is that Victoria has two divisions with "Melbourne" in their

names - apart from Melbourne Ports, we also have a division named Melbourne, and it too is a Federation division which has existed since Federation. There isn't really a need for two divisions bearing the name "Melbourne".

In light of my objection, I'd like to suggest that Victoria's newest division, currently mooted to be named Fraser, should instead be named Nicholls - a name proposed as a change for the division of Murray. I'm not against renaming the division of Murray itself, but I think that Nicholls should be used for the newest division, and that's why I'm against changing the name of the division of Murray to Nicholls. Murray should be one of those divisions slated for future abolition or renaming, as it's perceived to be named after a river, which isn't that special.

I'd like to suggest that the name of Cox be used at the next scheduled Federal redistribution in Victoria, rather than as a new name for the existing Federation division of Corangamite.

In summary, I object to the use of the name Fraser for the new division and the renaming of three existing divisions. I instead call for the new division to be named Nicholls, and for the existing divisions to retain their names, though I'm not that firm about retaining the name Melbourne Ports.

Regards

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(Address supplied via electronic submission)