



Objection 384

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To whom it may concern;

It is with a heavy heart and disappointment that the outcome of success was short-lived in the agreement by the AEC to rename the electorate division of McMillan, when I read it would not be replaced with an Indigenous chosen and suggested replacement name; instead, the name of Monash was being put forward. The local history of the electorate, endured and survived by the local Indigenous Peoples, is horrible to say the least.

What would seem to be a common-sense support of healing, to identify a suitable local Indigenous name, has not yet been supported by the AEC. Surely after the horrible history the local Indigenous peoples have suffered at the hands of McMillan, would be enough to offer a small token and gesture of acknowledgement to the massacres, murder and devastation caused by McMillan, to numerous communities and many families and people.

It would be seriously fantastic if the AEC request the Gunnaikurnai-Bunurong Naming Committee to reconvene and negotiate an Aboriginal name that will meet criteria as articulated by the AEC. What an achievement so far to see the connections of communities and people, in joint unity and acts of togetherness, to work so hard to orchestrate this name change request.

As a resident and voting constituent of this Electorate, please accept this request to reconsider and support the re-naming of the electorate with an Indigenous sourced and suggested name.

Yours Sincerely,

Sarah Boasman