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For the attention of the Australian Electoral Commission

I write in connection with the proposal for new boundaries for the federal electorate of Bennelong.

The proposed electoral division will split Epping into 2 electorates, one of which (Berowra) is across the M2 from both Epping and North Epping and is not close in any way to Epping residents (unlike the other Bennelong suburbs).

There are no strong community ties with any of Berowra or Parramatta suburbs, but there are between Epping and the surrounding suburbs of Eastwood, Marsfield, and Ryde.

There is no benefit in splitting one suburb (Epping) across the two electorates. The majority of Epping residents are currently happy to be a part of Bennelong, and we are happy to have Jerome Laxale as our MP.

I sincerely hope that you will take this feedback into consideration and decide to not go ahead with this Electoral Proposal

Yours faithfully

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