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To: The NSW Redistribution Committee

Subject: Draft plans to abolish the federal seat of North Sydney in the proposed 2024 NSW redistribution

We are Donald Bonnitcha and Jennifer Bonnitcha, residents in the Federal seat of North Sydney from Woolwich. We have been residents of the Hunters Hill municipality for over years. We note that the electorate of North Sydney is proposed to be abolished.

The original essence of parliamentary democracy was that each electorate was to select a representative who championed the interests of that electorate and who brought those local interests to the independent consideration of each and every issue in order to reach the best consensus decision on each question. The two-party political system has skewed this original concept of our democracy. The electorate of North Sydney has the longest and proudest history of independent representation to the Australian parliament, in its true intention. North Sydney has made an historical contribution to good government. The proposal to abolish North Sydney should not be adopted.

We also note that our area is to return to the Federal electorate of Bennelong, under the proposed redistribution. Does this mean that the AEC is acknowledging that made an error in undertaking the earlier redistribution that moved us into North Sydney? That being the case, does the AEC need to consider whether it is now making another error with this redistribution and the abolishment of North Sydney? Was the original logic flawed, and what is to say the current logic is not equally flawed? For instance, in what logical world is the North Sydney CBD a part of Warringah?

We strongly oppose the draft proposal that the seat of North Sydney be abolished and request for it to remain intact, with minimal changes to accommodate the need to adjust to account for population changes – both historical and future projected changes.

Sincerely

Donald and Jennifer Bonnitcha

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