Details of your comment

Please provide additional information and supporting documentation as attachments.

I am writing to appeal to the independent three-member panel administering the redistribution process, (Chairperson, Justice Arthur Emmett, NSW Electoral Commissioner John Schmidt and NSW Surveyor General Narelle Underwood) to please take into considerations the cohesion of communities in deciding where boundaries should be drawn.

In the Labor Party's submission, it proposed that the State seat of Cabramatta is abolished and the electorate split across multiple Local Government areas: Canterbury-Bankstown, and Liverpool.

The Cabramatta name has a long history; it's an Indigenous name meaning "where river meets" and it's a place where the diverse communities of Fairfield Local Government come together. It also was the home of the former Prime Minister of Australia, Gough Whitlam.

Cabramatta CBD is the economic hub within the Fairfield LGA, servicing surrounding suburbs such as Canley Heights, Canley vale, Mt Pritchard, Edensor Park, Bonnyrigg, Bonnyrigg Heights, St Johns Park, Wakeley and Lansvale.

I understand the Electoral Commission needs to ensure electors are evenly distributed and hence this process is taking place to look at shifting the electoral boundaries. However, I ask if the three-members panel doing this could also keep in mind the community cohesion, culture, needs and characteristics of the Cabramatta electorate. I also ask that you please consider keeping the Cabramatta electorate within the Fairfield LGA.

As such, I support the name Cabramatta remains for the State seat of that electorate, and I hope that you will consider the above proposal in assessing where the boundaries will be drawn to evenly distribute enrolled electors.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this to you.

Warm regards

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