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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my concern about the proposed changes to the electoral boundaries for Carine.

The natural predominant progression of property value is from the coast and east to the freeway. This is broadly indicative of the relative socio-economic levels in this part of Perth, the coastal strips being quite high value and so predominantly right-leaning in terms of WA politics broadly speaking.

In my view, the proposal would almost certainly have the effect of creating an extremely safe coastal seat, while putting other easterly seats in a competitive position and far more left-leaning. I am sure a "gerrymander" is not the intent, but I am concerned about the perception risk here.

Furthermore, splitting the Carine Electorate and extending the boundaries for the Hillarys Electorate as far north as Ocean Reef and as far south as North Beach, and extending the boundaries for Padbury Electorate as far north as Beldon and as far south as Gwelup does not create a cohesive community in either of these electorates.

The two public high schools (Carine and Duncraig) within the existing Carine Electorate boundaries draw most of their students from the suburbs of Sorrento, Marmion, Watermans Bay, Duncraig, Carine, Karrinyup and Gwelup. Sporting clubs that use the Carine Open Space also draw their members from those same areas.

Therefore, making minor adjustments to the existing boundaries should be given high priority to account for changes in the population. I believe that it would be much more beneficial for residents of these suburbs to continue to build on existing relationships that have been formed in the Carine Electorate over many years.

Splitting the existing Carine Electorate in half as proposed by the new Hillarys and Padbury Electorates does not offer the same community benefits and I respectfully suggest may involve

perception reputational risk.

Regards,

Andrew Martin

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