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Dear Commissioner,

Please find this as my written comments regarding electoral boundary suggestions available on your website.

It is of utmost importance that this loss of dedicated regional representation in the Legislative Council is not compounded by reduced Legislative Assembly representation.

The Labor Party's suggestion to abolish the North West Central electorate is clearly nothing more than gerrymandering.

The suggestion by The Nationals WA clearly demonstrates that electoral equality (as defined by the Legislation) can be achieved without the need to abolish North West Central and is a better alternative.

Minor adjustments to the neighbouring electorates such as the entirety of the Shire of Northampton and some desert inland areas into NWC, allows the seat to have a sufficient population boost and LDA to achieve a variance less than -20% from the allowed.

Furthermore, moving Tom Price, Paraburdoo and other parts of the Shire of Ashburton into the seat of Pilbara, does not plan for the future. The seat of Pilbara is one of the fastest growing in Regional WA. Adjusting electoral boundaries at this time will only see the Pilbara become oversubscribed in the near future.

The fate of regional West Australians is in your hands.

Sincerely,

Sebastian Schiano Di Cola

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