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Kind regards

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To Whom It May Concern

ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES REVIEW

The Shire of Kulin, on behalf of its community and regional constituents, wishes to express concern and opposition to any proposal that would reduce regional representation in the Western Australian Parliament through the reduction in regional seats. Any reduction of regional seats would only exacerbate the existing challenges and disadvantage faced by regional communities.

Regional communities deserve better than to suffer further reduction of representation in the Parliament of Western Australia all because elector numbers may fall outside of the maximum variation from the prescribed district enrolment. Outside of complying with a formula there is most certainly nothing to be gained by further reducing regional representation.

Any merging of seats will result in larger electorates will make it more difficult for constituents to access their local Member and for Members to engage effectively with their communities. The larger the electorate, the more difficult it becomes for Members to provide the necessary support and advocacy that their constituents require.

Retaining the current number of regional seats is critical for ensuring that regional communities have adequate representation and support in the Western Australian Parliament. By doing so, we can ensure that our regional communities receive the attention and resources they need to thrive, and that their voices are heard at the highest levels of government.

In conclusion, the retention of the current 16 regional seats is essential for ensuring that regional communities have effective representation and support in the Western Australian Parliament. It is critical that we continue to prioritise the needs and challenges of our regional communities, and the best way to do so is by retaining the current number of regional seats.

Should you require further information or clarification on the above, please contact me via email, shire@kulin.wa.gov.au or telephone 9880 1204.

Yours sincerely

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