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Dividing the community of the Atherton Tablelands is simply WRONG! I live in Ravenshoe, and Atherton is where I shop, where I go to the doctor, where our local hospital is located! Mt Garnet, Innot Hot Springs, Evelyn, Millaa Millaa, Malanda and Ravenshoe are ALL PART OF THE ATHERTON TABLELANDS!!!!!! Don't split this tiny cohesive farming community! We, here on the southern Tablelands, have more connection to the coast - Innisfail, Missionk Beach, Kurramine Beach, Gordonvale, Edmonton are all local areas where we regularly work. NOT MT ISA!!!!!!

Dividing the seat of Hill is a gerrymander, pure and simple - we are harking back to Jo Bjelke Petersen days. Don't worry - I remember. Mike Ahern, former Premier, is my first cousin. I know a lot of what goes on inside the doors of power. I have seen enough over the decades to see through this ploy. To add insult to injury, our local government area (Herberton Shire) has been subsumed into Tableland Regional Council, resulting in a huge loss to our local amenities and community assets. It was robbery, with no-one held to account. Now you want to further split our community. It is simply NOT OK!

I reserve the right to make further comments in this matter. Right now I am so angry regarding this proposal that I have to take time out to study this further with a calm mind. The above comments relate to me personally as a home owner and resident of Ravenshoe for more than two decades.

I say NO to this redistribution proposal.