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To Whom It May Concern

I am writing to formally express my opposition to the proposed abolition of the electoral seat of Hill. I believe that retaining this seat is vital for ensuring effective representation and maintaining the democratic voice of its residents.

1. Representation and Community Identity

The seat of Hill encompasses a diverse and distinct community with unique needs, interests, and challenges. Abolishing this electorate risks diluting the voice of local residents, as their concerns may be lost within a larger or reconfigured electorate. Maintaining the seat ensures that the community continues to have a dedicated representative who understands and advocates for local priorities. I personally have not seen a more HARD WORKING and PASSIONATE Member for his electorate, losing our voice would be placing a nail in the coffin for the electorate of Hill!

2. Accessibility and Constituent Services

Residents of Hill benefit from direct access to their elected representative, which fosters engagement, responsiveness, and accountability. Abolishing the seat could lead to reduced accessibility, as constituents would be forced to seek assistance from a representative covering a larger geographic area or multiple communities, potentially creating barriers to effective communication and support. Additionally, the member for Hill PERSONALLY visits and is a part of all these small towns, has built a connection, listens and advocates for Hill electorate.

3. Historical and Cultural Significance

The seat of Hill has a history of contributing to the state's political and social landscape. It has been instrumental in representing both rural and regional perspectives, which are essential to balanced policymaking. Removing this seat risks overlooking these perspectives in the broader political discourse.

4. Electoral Fairness and Community Cohesion

Redrawing boundaries or abolishing established electorates can fragment communities, weakening social cohesion and local advocacy. Preserving Hill ensures that communities with shared interests and geographic connections remain united in their representation.

there is no one person that can cover adequately an amount of space that is suggested if the seat of Hill was abolished, this would then give limited voice to the Queensland state parliament of North Queensland and the issues that

we have.

Conclusion

For the reasons outlined above, I respectfully request that the electoral commission reconsider the proposal to abolish the seat of Hill. Preserving this electorate is essential for maintaining fair, accessible, and effective representation for its residents.

Thank you for considering this submission.

Sincerely,
Amanda Fitzgerald

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