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To Whom it May Concern

I note with angst that the Electoral Commission is reviewing Electoral Boundaries and a consideration is taking away the seat of Hill and adding a seat to South East Queensland.

I am calling on the Premier to consult on this action as he is from the North and knows the vastness of the area and that the people of this electorate need to be heard and have a voice.

While I understand the growth in south east Queensland, this is mostly attributed to either fly in fly out workers from central and north and north west Queensland plus the intake of other arrivals from other states or immigration.

It would be more beneficial to add another seat to the south east, which could be done and vilified owing to this rise in population.

I think the electoral commission and the Qld Government need to take into consideration the northern voices at it is not always about south east Queensland and remember that North Queensland is a vast area and while it may have lower numbers of population the distances are further and they deserve representation.

Regardless of party politics the current member for Hill is from my observation a very hard working member for his electorate and a strong voice in the North. The distances he travels to meet with people and attend events is that of a hardworking, grass roots politician.

I would expect that any other party represented elected would be the same.

I hope you consider all avenues before removing a northern seat.

In the spirit of what is best for Queensland. Janelle Smithurst