



## Office of the Mayor

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2023 NT Electoral Boundary Redistribution Committee  
NT Electoral Commission  
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To whom it may concern,

### **2023 NT Electoral Boundary Redistribution**

Following the invitation to provide submissions to the Redistribution Committee, Alice Springs Town Council requests a third Northern Territory parliamentary seat to be reinstated.

Central Australia is a unique area with an extremely diverse range of residents. Currently, Alice Springs is represented by the seats of Braiiting and Araluen with the seat of Namatjira only capturing a small section of our community.

Having only two dedicated representatives in Parliament dilutes the opportunity for Alice Springs residents to have a meaningful input into decisions that shape the Northern Territory and can result in the population feeling marginalised and disengaged with the political system. This is not an effective or sustainable way of ensuring the voice of every constituent is considered.

Alice Springs Town Council believes it is vital to the health and prosperity of the Northern Territory for a third parliamentary seat to be reinstated. This would ensure a more genuine voice for electors in the Northern Territory and a more equitable outcome for residents in Alice Springs.

Yours sincerely,

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