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## **SYDNEY'S NIGHT TIME ECONOMY**

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Joint Select Committee on Sydney's Night-time Economy Parliament House Macquarie St Sydney NSW 2001

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Dear Committee,

I am pleased to make a submission to the Joint Select Committee on Sydney's Night Time Economy on behalf of hundreds of concerned residents.

As you will know, Sydney's lockout laws are of deep importance to many in the Summer Hill electorate and to the more than seven hundred respondents who opted to participate in the inquiry by completing a submission through my office.

I enclose with this submission those of 722 citizens across Sydney and NSW, all opposed the lockout laws and calling for them to end.

These are 722 residents who want to participate in this inquiry and whose contributions should be considered as stand-alone, independent submissions. Each respondent has made considered, individual statements, and have contributed to the process through my office in good faith.

Accordingly, I urge Committee members to afford them due consideration.

These submissions are patrons, hospitality workers, doctors, artists, shoppers, business owners, young people and people who remember better times.

The common call of the submissions is for the NSW Government to:

- End the lockout laws;
- Deliver all-night public transport on Friday and Saturday nights to keep our streets safe and give people a
- way to get home;
- Amend the Liquor Act to introduce a "Right to Play" principle, including the removal of restrictions on live
- entertainment;
- Appoint a Minister for Music, a Night Time Economy Commissioner and a permanent Night Time Economy
- Roundtable to coordinate growth in the night-time economy across NSW, working with all stakeholders,
- including local government, NSW Police, creative industry representatives, venue owners and others to

- facilitate the growth of a night time economy that is both safe and vibrant:
- Build a Strategic Plan for Contemporary Music like those in Victoria, WA, SA, Qld and the ACT which will
- identify short, medium and long-term actions to support the growth of live music and other small live cultural
- events; as well as encouraging the establishment of live music in other areas of Sydney such as along the
- Parramatta Road and in hubs like Parramatta:
- Invest in contemporary music, touring, live venues, festivals and community radio to support our live music
- and arts industry;
- Support the night-time economy in Sydney's inner west by supporting the establishment of a Sydenham
- Creative Hub, establishing a "music community" in the CBD and inner west, and making the inner west
- microbrewery trial permanent:
- Review Newcastle's lockout laws to create a thriving night time economy considering the changes in the city
- over the past decade and establish a "Music Community" to create a vibrant live music scene; &
- Support 'agent of changes' laws and entertainment precincts to protect existing live music venues.

I am disappointed that these submissions have not been accepted as independent submissions to date, particularly as reasonable efforts were made to ensure that the submissions were in order and able to be considered under the rules of the Committee, including seeking assurances from the Committee.

I urge the Committee to include the views contained in these submissions in their deliberation on the night-time economy and future of the lockout laws.

Yours sincerely.

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Member for Summer Hill