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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Ms Higginson says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes with dread the ongoing effects of the climate crisis, fuelled by coal and gas, including that:
 - (a) Yesterday was the hottest October day on record for large parts of Sydney,
 - (b) Dozens of bush and grass fires are still burning across Sydney as a result of the extreme and unprecedented event,
 - (c) The Rural Fire Service issued an extreme fire danger warning for metropolitan Sydney, the Illawarra, the Hunter and the Upper Central West Plains,
 - (d) The Bureau of Meteorology also issued a severe heatwave warning for parts of the Northern Rivers and the Northern Tablelands of New South Wales,
 - (e) The October heatwave was so severe that Health Minister Ryan Park had to issue a direction for New South Wales residents to stay indoors, given the overwhelming public health risk posed by the climate-change-fuelled extreme weather, and
 - (e) The heatwave came with extreme winds, winds that killed two people at a Melbourne beach.
- (2) That this House notes that:
 - (a) During the hottest day on record for large parts of regional New South Wales and metropolitan Sydney, the National Party and the Liberal Party voted against a Greens amendment to a Notice of Motion calling for drought relief for regional communities and acknowledging that the climate crisis is making extreme weather events more frequent and more severe, including droughts,

- (b) During the hottest day on record for large parts of regional New South Wales and metropolitan Sydney, Federal Environment Minister Murray Watt ruled out putting a climate trigger into our federal environmental laws, instead preferring to do a ~~dirty~~ political deal with the federal Liberal Party to water down our federal environmental and nature laws, and
- (b) These actions prove that Labor and the Liberals are more interested in delivering for the tax-dodging coal and gas corporations who fund their political parties than they are in protecting the people of New South Wales from climate-fuelled bushfires, droughts and extreme heat events

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Ms Higginson says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House notes that:

- (a) On 27 June Hannah Thomas was punched in the face at Belmore at a protest of SEC Plating, a company that supply weapons plating for weapons used to massacre innocent people in Palestine as part of Israel's genocide in Gaza,
- (b) NSW police then attempted to arrest peaceful protestors for failing to comply with a move-on order, despite the fact they had no valid or lawful power upon which to issue a move-on order,
- (c) Court documents unveiled by the Sydney Morning Herald have since revealed that the police officers who were sent to unlawfully bust up the peaceful protest were given instructions from senior police officers to show "no tolerance" and that the protest was "unauthorised",
- (d) One police officer said in a statement to the court that "My understanding of no tolerance was they were going to be issued a move on direction under LEPR powers and were going to be given the opportunity to leave the area... This was due to the gathering/protest being unlawful",
- (e) These court documents display a fundamental misunderstanding of the law by police, given there is no such thing as an "unauthorised" protest, and police could not yet have had the power to issue move-on orders on the basis of public safety for a protest that had not yet occurred, and
- (f) By interpretation of the event, including that Hannah Thomas was violently assaulted by a police officer, it is clear that there was a deliberate and violent attempt to suppress the right to protest from senior levels of the New South Wales police force.

(2) That this House notes that:

- (a) The New South Wales police officer who punched lawyer and human rights advocate Hannah Thomas in the face has now has a second charge of recklessly causing grievous bodily harm, laid against him, a charge which can incur a maximum penalty of 14 years in prison,
- (b) The police officer was previously charged with assault occasioning bodily harm, a charge which can incur a maximum penalty of five years in prison, and
- (c) It is not just one officer responsible for Hannah's injuries, given senior police gave instructions to junior officers to shut down the peaceful protest Hannah attended despite having no legal basis on which to do so.

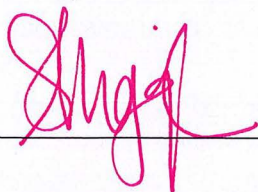
(3) That this House notes that:

- (a) Following the violent police assault on Hannah Thomas, which was captured on body-worn camera footage, Assistant Commissioner Brett McFadden said he had reviewed the body-camera footage and found "no information at this stage that's before me that indicates any misconduct on behalf of my officers",
- (b) We now know Assistant Commissioner McFadden witnessed one of his officers commit a serious assault worthy of the charge of recklessly causing grievous bodily harm,
- (c) Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley has refused to stand Assistant Commissioner McFadden down despite his blatant lies to the public and his efforts to cover up a serious assault on a resident of New South Wales, and
- (d) Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley has refused to disclose whether she briefed Labor Premier Chris Minns on this matter before he went to the media and criticised Hannah Thomas, a victim of a violent police assault.

(4) That this House calls on the Minns Labor Government to:

- (a) Stand down Assistant Commissioner Brett McFadden,
- (b) Offer an apology to Hannah Thomas and her fellow protestors, and
- (c) Repeal the anti-protest laws that have given police impunity to unlawfully pursue, and now assault, peaceful protestors in New South Wales

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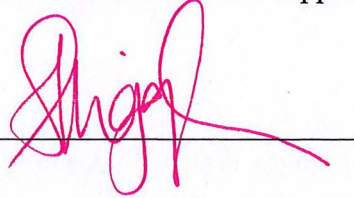
I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that:
 - (a) When asked in budget estimates to provide the costs of policing pro-Palestine protests in New South Wales, Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley said an "accurate cost cannot be provided",
 - (b) When asked in budget estimates to provide the costs of policing the March for Humanity where some 300,000 defied the Premier and marched across the Sydney Harbour Bridge, Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley said an "accurate cost cannot be provided",
 - (c) When asked in budget estimates to provide the costs of Operation Shelter, where police systemically and radically inflated alleged instances of antisemitism and mis-attributed pro-Palestine calls for peace as antisemitic, Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley said an "accurate cost cannot be provided", and
 - (d) Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley's claims contradict public statements of Labor Premier Chris Minns, who argued that \$5 million of taxpayers money had been used policing pro-Palestine protests in 2024, as a justification for seeking to shut down pro-Palestine protests.
- (2) That this House notes that:
 - (a) The false statistics provided as a result of Operation Shelter and the Dural Caravan hoax were used to justify draconian and unconstitutional laws to crackdown on the right to peaceful protest in New South Wales,
 - (b) Labor Premier Chris Minns and Police Minister Yasmin Catley, who have both been demonising pro-Palestinian protestors and seeking to suppress pro-Palestine protests, attended a Zionist meeting on 6 May 2025, after Israel had massacred tens of thousands of innocent Palestinian people,

where Labor Premier Chris Minns accepted a signed letter of praise from the President of Israel for being a "friend of Israel", and

- (c) When asked in budget estimates how many pro-Israel gatherings or demonstrations that the police or the government had opposed, Labor Police Minister Yasmin Catley said there were none.
- (3) That this House calls on the Government to:
- (a) Explain how Labor Premier Chris Minns has come up with figures estimating the cost of policing pro-Palestine protests when the police do not have accurate information about the cost of policing those protests,
 - (b) Explain why the Minns Labor Govenemnt believes facilitating safe and peaceful protests in support of an end to Israel's genocide is a waste of taxpayers money, but that spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on Supreme Court cases trying to stop lawful protests and trying to defend unconstitutional anti-protest laws is a good use of taxpayers money, and
 - (c) Repeal the anti-protest laws, passed under false pretences, that are being used to shut down and suppress peaceful protests in New South Wales

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Ms Munro says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House:

- (a) Notes that the Day of German Unity is officially celebrated every October 3rd, marking the reunification of Germany in 1990, and symbolising peace, democracy, and peaceful political transition;
- (b) Acknowledges the importance of the strategic and economic partnership between Australia and Germany, including shared values of democracy, a rules-based international order, and open and fair trade;
- (c) Notes that Germany is Australia's sixth largest source of imports, including essential goods such as transport services, automobiles and medical equipment;
- (d) Asserts the strength of bilateral investment between countries, with Australian investment stock in Germany reaching \$64.7 billion and German investment in Australia valued at \$89.8 billion in 2024, across critical sectors such as automotive manufacturing, ICT, agri-food, pharmaceuticals, defence and energy;
- (e) Notes that a reception was held on 15 October 2025 at the Museum of Contemporary Art to mark the occasion of the Day of German Unity, hosted by the Consul General, Mr Felix Schwarz and Mrs Natascha Senftleben;
- (f) Congratulates the German International School Sydney Choir on their stirring renditions of the Australian and German national anthems at the reception;
- (g) Acknowledges the attendance of a diverse group of guests including diplomatic representatives, community members and cultural partners, including,
 - (i) Mr Felix Schwarz, German Consul General in Sydney,
 - (ii) Mr Klaus Wunderlich, German Deputy Consul General in Sydney,
 - (iii) The Hon. Greg Piper MP, Speaker of Legislative Assembly
 - (iv) Ms Marjorie O'Neill MP, Member for Coogee
 - (v) The Hon. Jacqui Munro MLC, Shadow Assistant Minister for the Arts, Innovation, Digital Government and the 24-Hour Economy

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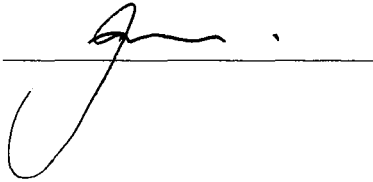
I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House:

- (a) Notes that ACON is a community-based health organisation established in 1985, and that 2025 marks its 40th anniversary of service;
- (b) Recognises ACON's life-saving and life-affirming leadership during the 1980s and 1990s AIDS crisis, where gay men, intravenous drug users and sex workers were particularly, tragically affected and maligned for their lifestyles and illness;
- (c) Commends ACON for its four decades of leadership in inclusive health-care, HIV prevention and support, research and advocacy, and for delivering programs across regional, rural and metropolitan New South Wales;
- (d) Commends ACON for their extensive delivery of services including in community care through counselling for young people with HIV, counselling for LGBTQ+ community members, alcohol and drug testing, domestic and family violence support, practical support in housing, Centrelink and the NDIS, support at home for older LGBTQ+ people and support for those going through suicidal crisis or after a suicide attempt;
- (e) Welcomes the establishment of Kaledio Health Centre in Eveleigh, a specialised LGBTQ+ health service that provides integrated and multi-disciplinary care for sexuality and gender diverse people in New South Wales;
- (f) Notes that while in government, the NSW Coalition committed \$4.2 million to support the establishment of the ACON Health Centre, a statewide, community-led service designed to deliver inclusive, specialist health care to LGBTQ+ people across New South Wales;
- (g) Recognises that ACON held its 40 Gala Celebration Dinner on Saturday 18 October 2025 to mark ACON's 40 years of health and community, and to raise funds for ACON's programs and services;

- (h) Congratulates the winners of the 2025 ACON awards:
- (i) William Yang, winner of the President's Award
 - (ii) Saxon Wilson, winner of the Community Hero Award
 - (iii) Brenna Harding, winner of the Young Achiever Award
- (i) Acknowledges the attendance of a diverse group of guests, including:
- (i) Her Excellency the Hon. Sam Mostyn AC, Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia
 - (ii) The Hon. Tanya Plibersek MP, Minister for Social Services
 - (iii) The Hon. Chris Minns MP, Premier of NSW
 - (iv) The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC, Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage
 - (v) The Hon. Ryan Park MP, Minister for Health, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for the Illawarra and the South Coast
 - (vi) Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC
 - (vii) Ms Jenny Leong MP
 - (viii) The Hon. Jacqui Munro MLC, Shadow Assistant Minister for the Arts, innovation, Digital Government and the 24-Hour Economy
 - (ix) Chris Puplick, former Senator for New South Wales
 - (x) Councillors from across New South Wales
 - (xi) Dr Justin Koonin, Chair of ACON
 - (xii) Michael Woodhouse, CEO of ACON

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Ms Faehrmann says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House notes:

- (a) Since 2018, Menindee has suffered at least five major fish death events — including in 2018, 2019, February and March 2023 and 2024 — which have devastated local communities, particularly the Barkandji people, whose cultural and spiritual connection to the Baaka has been severely impacted,
- (b) Following the 2023 event, where more than 30 million fish were killed, the NSW Chief Scientist and Engineer undertook an independent review into the 2023 fish deaths in the Darling-Baaka River at Menindee,
- (c) The review found that poor water quality, high nutrient loads, low flows and extreme heat led to catastrophic oxygen depletion events that suffocated millions of fish, and warned that the river system remains highly vulnerable to further events unless there are fundamental changes to water management, including restoring more natural flow regimes, reducing nutrient and sediment inflows, and improving coordination between responsible agencies,
- (d) The NSW Government established the Restoring the Darling–Baaka Program in response to the 2023 mass fish deaths and the subsequent Independent Review by the Chief Scientist,
- (e) Despite these efforts, the Darling–Baaka River Health Project report, recently released by the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, found that the ecological health of the Darling–Baaka is “poor to very poor” along more than 90 per cent of surveyed reaches, reflecting a river system in severe ecological stress,
- (f) The report identified that:

- (i) River flow patterns are highly modified, with less than 30 per cent of natural flow now reaching the Lower Darling in most years, due to upstream regulation, diversions, and water extraction,
- (ii) Native fish populations are less than 10 per cent of pre-development levels, with species such as golden perch, silver perch and Murray cod showing extremely low recruitment and few mature breeding individuals,
- (iii) Water quality regularly breaches guideline thresholds, with recorded dissolved oxygen levels falling below 2 mg/L during low-flow periods—well below the 4–5 mg/L minimum required for fish survival,
- (iv) Nutrient concentrations exceed ANZECC water quality guidelines by up to five times, contributing to algal blooms, fish stress, and blackwater events, and
- (v) Riparian vegetation cover is reduced by over 60 per cent in some sections, while only 4 per cent of the lower river floodplain still supports healthy wetland vegetation.

(g) The Darling–Baaka River Health Project recommends:

- (i) Delivering more frequent and better-timed environmental flows, targeting at least 40 per cent of natural flow variability to restore fish spawning and reconnect wetlands,
- (ii) Reducing nutrient and sediment loads through improved land management and riparian restoration, particularly in the Barwon–Darling catchment,
- (iii) Rehabilitating degraded riparian corridors to improve shade, temperature regulation and biodiversity, including large-scale replanting and stock exclusion,
- (iv) Embedding First Nations' knowledge and leadership, particularly from the Barkandji community, in water management and decision-making, and
- (v) Enhancing long-term ecological monitoring of fish, water quality and cultural indicators, with public reporting to ensure transparency and accountability.

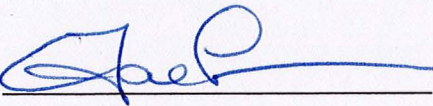
(2) That this House recognises:

- (a) The Darling–Baaka River is one of Australia's most ecologically and culturally significant waterways, supporting communities, wetlands and ecosystems across western New South Wales, and
- (b) The ongoing environmental degradation of the river represents a failure of successive governments to ensure sustainable water management in the Murray–Darling Basin.

(3) That this House calls on the Government to:

- (a) Fully implement the recommendations of both the Chief Scientist's "Independent review into the 2023 fish deaths in the Darling-Baaka River at Menindee" and the Government's "Darling Baaka River Health Project 2023 to 2025" report, with measurable targets and timeframes,
- (b) Expand and adequately fund the Restoring the Darling–Baaka Program to deliver catchment-wide actions that restore water quality, natural flows and riparian habitats, while embedding First Nations co-governance,
- (c) Make the critical updates needed to the Barwon Darling Unregulated River Water Sharing Plan, to ensure the plan meetings the principles of the Water Management Act and protects the water sources and their dependent ecosystems, including in the Darling-Baaka,
- (d) Ensure that all environmental watering events, including those utilising both planned and held water, are urgently resumed across the Darling-Baaka and beyond,
- (e) Establish a public Darling–Baaka River Health Dashboard, reporting annually on ecological indicators, water quality, fish populations, and progress toward recovery, and
- (f) Urgently improve transparency around water allocations, extractions, and environmental flow delivery in the Murray–Darling Basin.

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Ms Faehrmann says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

(1) That this House notes that:

- (a) Broula King Gold mine is a minerals mine located in Bumaldry, south of Cowra,
- (b) In 2004, neighbouring landholders at a property called ~~Farm~~ entered into an agreement with Broula King Joint Venture for 10 acres of their land to be used to build a Tailing Storage Facility for the mine on the understanding that it would be a short-term project with rehabilitation to occur concurrently, that no water from the mine would leave the site and enter their property and land returned to them in approximately five years,
- (c) In 2021, the Environment Protection Authority issued an approval for the mine to pump highly contaminated tailings water into an ore pit which directly contravenes leading practice guidance on preventing acid mine drainage prevention issued by the Commonwealth,
- (d) Multiple agencies—including the NSW EPA, Resources Regulator and Weddin Shire Council—have failed over more than a decade to enforce appropriate design, lining and water management requirements for the mine's tailings storage facility,
- (e) The mine's operations have caused extensive acid mine drainage and seepage of saline and metal-laden water into surrounding farmland, with evidence of dead aquatic life including yabbies along with discoloured water and iron leachate reaching farm dams downstream, with one dam recording a pH of 3.8,
- (f) aeration cannons are currently being used to evaporate low-pH pit water measured by the EPA at 3.4, potentially accelerating oxidation and the generation of acid mine drainage,

- (g) Shadeland has been in the Day family for 100 years and run successfully as a stock and cropping operation during this time, however since ~~2001~~ as a result of the impact of Broula King's Gold mine operations large parts of productive farmland have been rendered unusable resulting in significant financial loss.

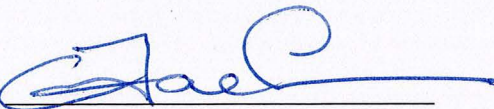
(2) That this House further notes that:

- (a) according to the Commonwealth's Leading Practice Handbook for Preventing Acid and Metalliferous Drainage , acid mine drainage is one of the most significant and enduring environmental risks associated with mining, capable of contaminating surface and groundwater for decades or even centuries after mine closure, and
- (b) acid mine drainage can mobilise toxic metals such as arsenic, cadmium, lead and zinc, degrade aquatic ecosystems, corrode infrastructure, and render land and water unusable for agriculture or human consumption.

(3) That this House calls on the Government to urgently:

- (a) initiate an independent investigation into regulatory oversight failures at the Broula King Mine,
- (b) publicly release all documents pertaining to investigations undertaken by the Environment Protection Authority or Resources Regulator relating to these activities or the potential for acid mine drainage from Broula King Mine, including any environmental test results and correspondence between the agencies and mine operator since 2010,
- (c) require immediate remediation and containment measures to prevent further acid mine drainage into Tyagong Creek and the surrounding catchment, including any ongoing environmental risks to Tyagong Creek, surrounding farmland and biodiversity, and
- (d) engage directly with the landholders to negotiate fair compensation for the loss of production, property damage, contamination of land and water and associated financial hardship caused by the ongoing regulatory failures by successive state governments.

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