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**INQUIRY INTO GOVERNMENT'S MANAGEMENT OF THE
POWERHOUSE MUSEUM AND OTHER MUSEUMS AND
CULTURAL PROJECTS IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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To the Committee Inquiring into the Powerhouse Museum and mismanagement of funds

Dear Sirs and Madams,

I feel strongly that the proposal for the museum at Parramatta has not been thoroughly thought through.

My reasons are:

- It will be in a place that floods often, to the extent that the ferry cannot run.
- There will be buildings of significant heritage value that will have to be lost for it to be built.
- The Powerhouse Museum is perfectly fine where it is and we have the exhibits at Castle Hill in the Discovery Centre to fill another museum. This museum could be built at a more suitable place in Parramatta as well as leaving the Powerhouse where it is.
- The public affected by this have not been adequately consulted. I might not live in the heart of Parramatta but I live in the Parramatta Council area and have worked there and consider it important.
- It is a big part of the cradle of our nation and any heritage left needs to be kept, not bulldozed, as the Royal Oak was.
- We have a perfectly sensible place to put a new heritage area including a museum in North Parramatta, where the female factory is!

Yours faithfully

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