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## PETITION CALLING ON THE NSW GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH

## AN ADDITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN SYDNEY'S EAST

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales This petition of the people of New South Wales brings to the attention of the House that:

- a) Public primary schools across Sydney's Eastern Suburbs are over capacity following a decade of significant demographic change.
- b) At the same time, after the closure of two local high schools, only one co-educational public high school (Rose Bay Secondary College) remains to service students from 10 local primary schools and out-of-area Selective Program. This high school is approaching its 1200 student capacity.
- c) Ongoing residential mid-high density redevelopment and census data point to continued significant growth in the number of children living across Waverley, Woollahra and Randwick Council areas. An additional high school will fulfill these children's right to a public secondary education within reasonable proximity to their community.
- d) The sale of sites to redevelopment projects is reducing the availability of land pockets suited to a creation of additional schools.
- e) Parents reject proposals to send their children to South Sydney, Matraville Sports and Cleveland St High Schools as these are logistically far, removed from local community and amenities and are required to accommodate the growth of their local populations.
- f) Tweaking existing school boundaries or adding demoutables to recreational areas of RSBC are not sustainable long-term solutions. Only an additional public high school can adequately address current and future demand.

The undersigned petitioners, therefore, ask the Legislative Assembly to

- a) urgently establish a new comprehensive co-educational public high school in Sydney's East
- b) provide extensive community consultation, resulting in a plan to address the current and future urgent demand for local public secondary education
- c) a moratorium on the sale of public land to private enterprise in the Eastern Suburbs until it's established by all parties (Govt, Council, DoE) whether land must be prioritised for use as a public high school

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