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Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to submit my support of the Queensland land clearing reform Bill and recommend it's passing.

I hold of great value the restoration and protection of ecologically important regrowing woodlands and riparian forests.

We need to come together and recognise the importance of mitigating climate change drastically in order to prevent future disasters and hardships.

The loss of habitat impacts greatly on the sustainability of iconic species such as koalas, as well as the Great Barrier Reef, key elements in maintaining our tourism industry.

I believe the Bill will be agreeable in that it will remove the ability to get a permit to clear high value agricultural land and stop large scale clearing of important wildlife habitats. It will also make landholders more accountable to the destruction they may cause on their decision to undertake land clearing.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my agreement and I hope that you will undertake to decision to pass this Bill.

Kind regards,

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