

Submission to CSSC to end SOE

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Dear secretary

Please accept this submission to end the State of Emergency in Queensland for the following reasons:

- the Covid emergency has now past.
- Omicron variant is far less serious to people's health than earlier variants and poses far less threat to the people of Queensland.
- We have over 90% population now double vaccinated providing security over the proliferation and spread of the virus.
- We are no longer seeing the strain on our hospitals from Covid. Our health system no longer requires the demands it previously held during the beginning of the pandemic.
- People are much more aware of ways in which to halt the virus and stop the spread and support their own immune systems to fight the virus.
- Rapid antigen tests have provided our population with a simple step to monitor and maintain the virus.
- Mask mandates are being relaxed and all others should progressively follow.
- The people of QLD deserve to have their lives back. They have been complying and living by the rules set and now need the freedom to return to their jobs and provide the livelihoods their families deserve.

Many talented, committed and qualified people need to support their colleagues in a number of vocations and job descriptions to release the pressure the State of Emergency has placed on them, especially since the introduction of the mandates has seen staff shortages in many professions. Though this is contrary to the statements made in parliament, recently, schools personnel, parents and students ARE suffering from the withdrawal of staff, and this needs to be rectified, immediately.

The State of Emergency has proved its purpose in the past and it is now time to relinquish this governance and work towards revoking all mandates so the good people of Queensland can begin to rebuild some resemblance of their past lives.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J Ward".

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