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To: <u>Community Support and Services Committee</u>

Subject: DO NOT EXTEND THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN QUEENSLAND

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I, Laurie McDonnell, of wholeheartedly OPPOSE the extension of the State of Emergency in Queensland.

There is no longer any state of emergency in relation to the Covid-19 virus in this state and the extension of the state of emergency will continue to do far more harm than any good.

During the last two years the extreme reaction the Queensland government and all governments in this country have had to this virus has resulted in more harm to the majority of the public through job losses, business closures, financial ruin, depression, suicides resulting from these extreme measures, people forced out of their jobs because of their very valid hesitancy to an experimental treatment which has had no effect on halting the virus, than any of these measures had in protecting anyone from the virus.

I myself have a lifelong medical condition which not included in any of the vaccine trials and because I am uncomfortable with being forced into a medical experiment that had no trial data for people with my condition, I have now lost my career of 14 years as an audiologist, for which I studied long and hard to achieve and loved assisting people to hear again.

Our child has missed schooling due to shut downs and now lost two of his favourite school teachers because of this government's extreme over reaction to a virus that has killed less than the average 'bad flu season'.

This government has completely lost touch with the real reason people are suffering right now and cannot see that the suffering of lost small businesses, loss of homes, break ups of families over vaccine choices, loss of jobs, loss of lives due to suicide and depression over these measures has destroyed this once great state and once free country I used to love.

I am broken hearted at the division these measures have caused and the fear our children now suffer because of these measures.

END THE STATE OF EMERGENCY IN QUEENSLAND NOW!

Regards

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Sent from my iPhone