## Dear Committee Secretary,

Ms Corrie McMillan (Chairperson) Mr Stephen Bennet (Deputy Chair) Mr Michael Berkman Mr Jon Krause Ms Cynthia Lui Mr Robert Skelton

## RE: PUBLIC HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION (EXTENSION OF EXPIRING PROVISIONS) AMENDMENT BILL 2022 (BILL)

I wish to formally inform the committee that I do not support this bill and request you to not support the bill. My reasons are as follows.

- These emergency health powers have caused social and economic turmoil in our communities. People have been subjected to emergency powers that have cause emotional harm and the powers used have not stopped the spread of covoid. The restrictions have caused more harm than benefit.
- This bill takes away basic human rights in the pursuit of right to life, this view is from a controlling government perspective and does not take into account the people's perspective and their views of the right to life. There should be direct involvement from the constituents wether these laws are required to promote "right to life".
- There currently is no health emergency, it has been admitted that the covoid health emergency was far less than believed. The extension of the emergency act is is a comprehensive over reach of government powers that take away our basic human rights in a quasi belief of "right to life".
- The powers granted to the Government through this act are creating social loneliness in our community this is clear and evident in my community. I believe that the government is not taking into account the damage that these emergency powers are doing to the fabric of our community.
- The governing system should be used to inform constituents and act upon their beliefs not the opinion of
  government bureaucrats who have no understanding of his or her decisions and whether they are in the
  best interests of the community.
- These emergency government powers only affect the constituents not the bureaucrats, they have still been paid while businesses close and jobs are lost. These powers are biased against the constituents within society.
- The Government needs to stop using these draconian measures and formulate a constructive and progressive way to deal with public health issues. A method that does not cause harm but in fact promotes well being, I feel these powers are the easy way out and other avenues need to be explored and examined.

I recognise that your recommendations are just that, and the government's agenda will be achieved. Please be aware that we the constituents are becoming aware that our beliefs and way of life is being ignored and our rights are being taken away. If future emergency bills do not take away our right to vote there will implications for our sitting government. If our right to vote is taken away through emergency powers our democracy will be gone and we will be governed by a dictatorship.

Our forefathers lost their life's to protect our freedoms and these won freedoms are being taken away for a quasi "right to life" as determined by Government Bureaucrats and **not the people.** 

## I wish you all well in your future endeavours and your rights to life.

Regards, Brett Nagel