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Dear Ms McMillan and your fellow committee members,

I write to express my gravest concerns in response to the proposed extension of emergency powers.

As a passionate Queensland resident I am grateful that our beautiful state has not felt the grave impacts of Covid 19 which have been seen elsewhere and is now in a wonderful position to move forward. Whilst cases have been significant in number, they have been far less than the grim predictions, they have been largely mild as medical and scientific authorities have acknowledged, they have not overburdened our hospital system and they are declining as community immunity rises. There is much to be thankful for.

There have been huge costs however that remain uncoun ted. Enormous effort will be needed to restore, rebuild and progress the communities and services you carry responsibility for – the people you represent.

I urge you to take a **proactive** position, to enable recovery, to reconnect families, to return dedicated and healthy employees to their jobs, to stir hope and healing, to restore unity and reject discrimination, to stimulate investment and engagement, to regain dwindling trust in authorities, to actively reduce the crippling fear and insecurity that destabilizes societies, to demonstrate the accountability and integrity you would hope to find in those you answer to - both above and below, to recall whom you serve and determine the legacy you could leave.

You have the opportunity to help lead **out** of this incredibly difficult and destructive time but not if you choose to perpetuate Emergency measures in the absence of legitimate justification. Queenslanders are waking up. Restrictions, lockdowns, mandates and segregation are ineffective and are likely to have done incalculable harm. Everybody knows someone who has suffered greatly from one or more of these measures, few know someone who has suffered harm from Covid. Do you have the honesty and courage to do what is morally, legally, socially, intellectually and humanly just. Generations will thank you...or blame you.

STOP the Extension of Emergency Bill

Yours sincerely,

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