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To whom it may concern,

I would like to voice my utmost opposition to the further extension of the emergency health provisions currently enacted by the Queensland government. These provisions have been applied chaotically, inconsistently and with prejudice in favour of corporations and vested interests at the expense of Australian workers and businesses too small to be represented by a lobby. Certain quirks of timing and prejudices have been quite embarrassingly plain to see by anyone able to summon up enough motivation to look beyond the media chorus line.

Quite frankly the lack of transparency in decision making and communications has a rather dystopian and authoritarian flavour. I have trusted the Labour Party my entire life under the deluded premise that they would protect my rights as a worker and a citizen, sadly they have done neither. Now I bear witness to their repeatedly overzealous response to the covid 19 situation in Queensland, aided and abetted by fear mongering media outlets and their sensationalising reporting behaviour to generate clicks. To boot, it is quite clear and is becoming more widely noted that Facebook and it's subsidiaries in particular, are silencing any voices of dissent about the vaccine and government measures no matter how factual or reasonable they may be.

Sadly I no longer trust any of the motivations of the Queensland government, nor that they have my best interest at heart. To me these measures represent grotesque overreach, have questionable links to corporate interests including the pharmaceutical industry and boil down to arrogant, divisive and coercive tactics to pressure Queensland society into meek and unthinking acceptance of curtailed freedoms and dodgy unproven products.

I didn't sign up for these lockdowns or the prospect of becoming an impoverished second class citizen if I don't accept an experimental medical agent. Once I trusted the constitution and the protections enshrined in law that my freedom and safety would be assured or that any protective measures would be temporary. I now find myself witnessing that any such protections are nebulous and easily brushed away indefinitely by a dishonest administration quietly sliding legislation forward during a sitting on budgets. On reflections this should have come as no surprise as my career of 19 years came to an end by legislation announced on a Friday evening (when no one is watching) by the same administration.

Fair enough if this was Ebola or some other horrendous communicable disease with a death rate north of 50%, but this is NOT such a disease. Call me cold and heartless if you will but here are some basic stats that colour my world view:

The total deaths from the COVID 19 pandemic to date: just over 4 million GLOBALLY over the entire pandemic.

Cardiovascular disease: in the tens of millions YEARLY (eg 17.79 in 2017 and this only counts the deaths not those who suffer from CVD effects) Where's the panic? Where's the urgency? What measures are in place? Nothing, just weak advertising campaigns like the break up with junk food campaign and sugar taxes sunk by lobbyists.

Cancer: 9.56 million (2017 again) Another staggering yearly statistic. Panic? Urgency?

Hell no, what a money spinner! Keep those tumours rolling.

Respiratory diseases: About 4 million+ YEARLY (3.91 million 2017). Could airborne particulants and carcinogens pumped out by transport, power generation and polluting industries be responsible? Let's not ask, we might annoy a gigantic lobby group for fossil fuels, plastic or industrial agriculture.

In conclusion, not all Australians are dull grain fed idiots blind to the ways of the world. The Queensland government is being watched and despite concentrated and controlled media propaganda and social media censorship, the word spreads regardless and the proof is offered up by the government's actions in plain sight. Sorry ALP, lost another lifelong voter.

Your Sincerely

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