

Health and Environment Committee

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To whom it may concern,

We are writing to request the Queensland Parliament that it not extend the declared public health emergency in relation to COVID-19, with all the extraordinarily powers granted to the Premier, the State Cabinet, the State Government, and the Queensland Chief Health Officer.

Instead, we would ask:

- That the Parliament immediately and entirely cancel the declared public health emergency in relation to COVID-19;
- That it revoke any extraordinary powers that have been granted to the Premier, the State Cabinet, the State Government, and the Queensland Chief Health Officer;
- That it unilaterally cancel any fines that have been dispensed for transgressing 'COVID-19-emergency' laws;
- That it give full refunds to those who have been involuntary incarcerated in mandatory hotel quarantine due to said 'COVID-19-emergency' laws;
- That it give an unequivocal apology to the people of Queensland, and Australia, for the trouble and destruction of life brought to this land in the Parliament's response to the COVID-19 virus;
- And that it submit to an independent and thorough enquiry into the Parliament's actions in all these matters.

There has been a utter lack of real accountability by the Queensland Government in this matters, and part of the problem is the lack of a House of review, or Senate, in Queensland. This ought to be remedied as soon as possible, the matter being put before the people of Queensland by way of referendum and enacted upon the approval of the people.

Most grievously, the Queensland Government, as a whole and in its members, has demonstrated a wilful ignorance of its rightful place in society, that is, under the One True and Living God, who has revealed Himself and His Law in the Holy Bible, and as servants to the people of Queensland. This culpable ignorance has been seen most clearly, not only in the passing and maintaining of wicked laws promoting abortion and sodomy and such like, but more so in the relegating of the Public Worship of God into the category of 'non-essential' things or activities. Aside from the serious and detrimental effects of the lockdowns and restrictions on the emotional, physical, social, mental, economic health of the population, the 'cancelation' of the Public Worship of God is a slighting of the Almighty Creator, King and Judge of All. He is judging the nations, and this nation and state, and you as rulers ought to be asking for prayer, calling the people to prayer and seeking the Lord God for mercy in the name of the only Saviour Jesus Christ.

In the Bible there is encouragement to sinners, and sinful nations, to return to God, even in the face of calamity. 2 Chronicles 7:13-14 says, *"If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."* It is not yet too late! As Psalm 2:10-12 says, *"Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed ye judges of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are all they that put their trust in him."*

Sincerely,

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