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LCARC Parliament House Qld

Dear sir

Thank you for your call for preamble submissions.

Before I make comment on the proposed preamble, please explain:

1. Why the state needs a preamble? There has not been a preamble for 150 years. Nothing untoward happened in that time frame.

2. Why is it necessary to recognise the states Aboriginal and Isander peoples, over and above all others that actually created our present standards with due sufference, huge effort and great sacrifice since 1853?

If it were not for the "consigned labour" of the convicts, development would have been years delayed in most projects in early Brisbane. There is no mention of them at all. These unfortunates did even want to be in the district, much less labour for twelve and more hours a day.

Neither the Aboriginal or Islander peoples have ever made any more than a basic donation to the state's development, and indeed are now effortlessly extracting as much out of the state's coffers as possible, in the tens of millions of dollars annually.

Thousands of Queenslanders have also suffered, at times great duress, for the sake of these Aboriginals. At times more effort is expended for these people than is given to the rest population, to the point of aparthied. This is still ongoing.

Native Title claims have deliberaltly restricted much state activities of various types, for years at a time. This is an ongoing activity to allow as much gain to the land holders irrespective of the possible consequences to the state and the private businesses.

I believe that the Indigenous population is about 5% of the Queensland total, and at present are generally an unproductive section of the Queensland society.

Why indeed does the State of Queensland need a preamble?

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