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The Research Director Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee Parliament House, George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

12 MAY 2000 LEGAL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Attention: Ms Kerryn Newton

Dear Ms Newton

Re: <u>Review of the Queensland Constitutional Review</u> <u>Commission's Recommendation for Four Year Parliamentary Terms</u>

I refer to the letter from Mr Gary Fenton MLA, Chair of the Committee, dated 13 April 2000, inviting a submission from Council to your inquiry.

Council considered the proposal at its recent meeting and I am directed to advise that Council is in favour of the QCRC's recommendation 5.2 that the maximum term of the Queensland Legislative Assembly be extended to four years, with a fixed minimum period of three years.

Council is of the opinion that the arguments for the recommendation exceed those against and the acceptance of the recommendation will provide greater consistency.

Yours faithfully

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