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## SUBMISSION RE STATE GOVERNMENT ALCOHOL RELATED VIOLENCE INQUIRY

As Councillors for the inner suburbs of Brisbane, we represent a large number of licensed venues. We are concerned about the incidence of violence which stems from inappropriate use of alcohol. Our principal concerns are that the State and Council work cooperatively to ensure:

- . **safe monitoring** of our streets (active patrols, focused surveillance as well as passive surveillance through good environmental design of areas of concentrated liquor licensing)
- . significantly **improved street lighting** of all precincts surrounding licensed venues
- . a comprehensive **drug-management plan** involving all levels of government as well as the private sector for all entertainment precincts similar to Victoria
- . **support for community agencies** (eg Nightwatch) to provide a variety of support for at risk consumers of alcohol on our streets
- . adequate provision of **public toilets** to ensure basic facilities are provided for those visiting entertainment nodes in our communities
- . **safe, monitored taxi ranks** to ensure patrons who are returning home from a night out are able to do so quickly and safely
- . **promotion of safe alcohol consumption** practices among patrons
- . promotion of and adherence to **liquor accords** among all licensed venues
- . promotion of **small, viable licensed venues**
- . **coordination of public transport** to and from venues as well as inter-precinct coordination of safe, viable public transportation.
- . provision of cheap and **accessible water** at venues
- . strong viable partnerships between the **private sector** and government.

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