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**To:** [SDNRAIDC](#)  
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Dear Committee Members,

I am writing this to ask you to ensure that the koalas' habitats which are also home for all wildlife and creatures will be protected.

Once it's lost, it's gone. We can't recover the same quality of forests by replanting trees.

Many animals such as birds, possums and gliders need tree hollows for nesting. It could take 50 years or more for those hollows to be created.

Koalas also need proper size of trees as food and homes.

Humans are also part of Earth, and that means we won't survive without healthy natural resources such as fresh air, clean water and soil and so on. In order to keep those important productive natural resources, we must protect forests.

This is not only for the precious QLD koalas, but also for ourselves.

When we see koala population declining, we are actually seeing humans vital resources being destroyed. Koala population decline is the sign which we shouldn't ignore for ourselves.

We might be able to manage to survive financial difficulty only for now by making houses, shops and roads. However I believe that compromising nature won't give us sustainable future.

Would you please carefully consider about this? I would like you to choose to protect koalas' habitats.

On top of that, all the people on the earth are paying attention to your decision.

Many people now know that the biggest threat to koalas is not Chlamydia. The biggest threat is loss of habitats. By losing habitats, koalas have to move around more than before to find territories, food and mates. That compromises their energy balance and their immune system go down. In that situation, they can't suppress Chlamydia in their body and they get sick and die.

This is known by many people in the world and Queensland reputation is getting worse for not looking after koalas well. I wish that Australians will show world the great example of how humans can live on the planet in harmony.

Yours sincerely

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I am one of thousands concerned about excessive tree clearing and its impact on Queensland's koala population.

Excessive tree-clearing is threatening to wipe out the last remaining populations of our precious state emblem, in fact Queensland's Koala Coast has already lost over 80 per cent of its koalas.

If koalas die out on our watch, we will have let down our children, our grandchildren and, in view of the whole world, destroyed one of the unique and iconic species that makes Queensland and Australia great. Please don't let that happen.

Now that laws that will restore protection on the trees that koalas and many other wildlife call home are back in front of parliament for consideration, it is your chance to leave a positive legacy and protect our natural heritage – a result we can all be proud of.

We want to see koalas in our collective back yard – from the bush to the city – now and into the future.

We urge you to support the protections to their fullest extent. There is a way wildlife and people can share a successful and prosperous future. It is our shared duty to find it.