From:
To: SDNRAIDC

Subject: Protect Queenslands Koalas

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Dear Committee Members,

I grew up in Canada. Since 1969, when I was 5 years old, I dreamed of one day coming to Australia to see a koala. I finally made it when I arrived in Perth to live12 years ago and finally saw a koala in the wild in QLD last year.

Since I arrived in Australia 12 years ago, I have dedicated my life as a full time volunteer to restore and protect Australia's unique biodiversity. I am in QLD today and will be moving to Townsville in August.

I am extremely appalled at the terrible planning and environmental laws in Australia. I am devastated about the wreckless tree clearing in QLD and the threats for Queensland's koala population.

I do not want to live in a world without koalas. This would show how despicable and irresponsible the QLD gov't could be. Don't let this happen.

Please strengthen the laws to protect and restore the trees that koalas and many other wildlife depend on.

Environmental laws must override mining and planning acts if we want to protect our natural heritage, and hence our own health and well being, for future generations.

Will you do this?

Please respond and send me the results of the public consultation process.

Yours sincerely

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