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To: SDNRAIDO

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To the Committee Members

I am writing to express my heartfelt support for the passing of the above Bill. I can only hope it will go someway to slow the devastation of our natural heritage through greed, ignorance and almost total lack of planning for future generations.

I strongly endorse the Bill's following measures:

- remove high-value agriculture as a relevant purpose under which clearing maybe permitted
- protect a greater area of high conservation regrowth woodlands by redefining this as woodland uncleared for 15 years
- remove the thinning self-assessable accepted development clearing code
- extend Reef riparian areas by giving protection to watercourses along additional areas within the GBR catchment
- increase protection for essential habitat for near threatened wildlife species not just endangered or vulnerable species
- allow the reclassification of some currently unregulated vegetation areas as
 Category A allowing landholders to protect more of their land
- reinstate riverine protection permits

It is imperative we work and plan together ceaselessly to end destruction and allow precious areas to flourish, others to restore from loss and to bring effective protection to our threatened species.

Yours faithfully

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