TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This petition of: students, teachers and affiliates of Huntingtower School, Mount Waverley VIC

Draws to the attention of the House: The dwindling unrenewable resource of crude oil. This resource, which is forecasted to run out in 40 years at the current consumption rate, is essential for a multitude of reasons. All plastics and pharmaceuticals are manufactured from this resource, yet 40% of crude oil goes towards fuelling transport. In order to save crude oil for the manufacturing of more essential and everyday items, we propose the alternative of biofuel, which is grown from sustainable sources such as corn or sugarcane. These biofuels run at the same efficiency as diesel, in all capacities, and can be used in diesel engines without modifying the vehicle. It is efficient and existing modes of transport running on diesel do not have to change to use biofuel. This makes this form of energy a great stepping stone towards the implementation of more forms of sustainable energy.

We therefore ask the House to: Provide funding to State Governments under Section 96 of the Constitution for use, for increased productivity, awareness, research and widespread implementation of biofuels.