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To the Joint Select Committee on the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Voice Referendum

Dear Committee Secretary,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit my views on the need for an Indigenous Voice to Parliament.

I support the Yes campaign for the referendum because I believe that the Uluru Statement From the Heart is the culmination of many years work by Indigenous people to represent a majority of Indigenous Australians.

Further, it makes sense that the best way to make policies which will affect Indigenous people is to listen to what those people have to say.

Legal experts have confirmed that the proposed changes to the constitution will not create any unintended problems, and it has been made explicit that the actual laws will still be made by elected members of parliament.

Efforts to 'close the gap' have so far only had limited success, and an essential step towards true reconciliation and equality requires listening to Indigenous people.

I fully support the submission made by the Yes campaign.

Yours sincerely

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