

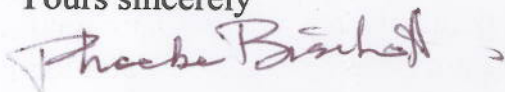
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### Immigration Bridge

My family are in favour of the proposed bridge for the following reasons:

- a) it is a means of commemorating our predecessors' entry to Australia
- b) it commemorates both sides of our family
- c) it recognizes where they originated from – in our case Wales and Bavaria
- d) the design is appealing both architecturally and aesthetically
- e) while we were aware of the memorial to Australia's early migrants in Sydney, the proposed bridge in Canberra has infinitely more appeal to our family
- f) a pedestrian bridge over Lake Burley Griffin has appeal not only to Canberra residents but would be a wonderful walkway for our many visitors/tourists
- g) recognition of the Immigration Bridge proposal is shown by the many thousands who have registered their ancestors' names, and paid for the privilege
- h) in my family's application we had to explore our archives and other avenues to obtain correct details – a useful family exercise
- i) the Immigration Bridge Australia group has been well organised putting out regular newsletters on progress and I am sure this process will continue when the development application is approved and construction commenced.
- j) Recently I noted in a television program that there are nine bridges over the Seine in France, so whats wrong with another one in Canberra.....

Yours sincerely



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