

To Whom It May concern

I wish to submit my support for the mandatory labelling of Palm Oil on all packaging. It is appalling to think that we as consumers cannot avoid purchasing any products containing palm oil. If mandatory labelling occurred, we could choose not to buy any products containing this oil, subsequently creating market pressure on companies to stop using Palm Oil. The destruction of precious habitats for endangered species such as orangutans through the harvesting of Palm Oil is unacceptable and unethical.

There is also compelling evidence to support a link between the trans fats contained in Palm Oil and the increase in diabetes and heart disease linked to increased obesity rates in our society. As someone who is also concerned about the food that I eat I believe that I have a right to have accurate information about the ingredients present in the foods that I choose to consume.

Please pass the Food Standards Amendment (Truth in Labelling – Palm Oil) Bill 2009 to ensure that all products are labelled if they contain Palm Oil.

Yours faithfully,

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