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3rd July 2019

Secretary
House of Assembly Firearms Committee
Parliament House
Hobart, Tasmania, 7000

By email: todd.buttsworth@parliament.tas.gov.au

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Dear Secretary,

Please find attached correspondence I recently received from Hobart Lord Mayor, Councillor Anna Reynolds. A similar letter was also sent to other Members of Parliament.

In the letter, the Lord Mayor notes her Council's reaffirmation, at its April meeting, of the commitment to creating a safe and welcoming city, and the related importance of standing firm against any attempt to weaken gun laws.

I request that this letter be tabled as correspondence to the Committee, so the views expressed by the Hobart City Council can be considered as evidence in the Inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in green ink, appearing to read 'Cassy O'Connór'.

Cassy O'Connór MP
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Via email: party@tas.greens.org.au

Dear Ms O'Connor *Cassy*,

At the City of Hobart Council Meeting on 15 April 2019, in line with the *Hobart Community Vision* and the *City of Hobart Social Inclusion Policy 2014-2019*; the Council reaffirmed its commitment to creating a safe and welcoming City, by supporting strong gun regulation and rejecting any attempt to weaken gun control laws.

In doing so we are writing to you (and fellow leaders in State and Federal political parties and local Members) urging you to stand firm against efforts to weaken gun control laws. The Council also resolved to ask your party to not accept donations from the gun lobby.

We are at a critical leadership time, with a need for action in the Australian community to reduce fear and trauma related to the March shooting events in Christchurch (which sadly resurfaces trauma of the event on our own shores in the past at Port Arthur) and move toward preventative measures to reduce violence and increase community safety and wellbeing.

Tasmania is a socially inclusive community where people desire to feel informed, safe, happy, healthy and resilient; and Hobart prides itself on being a safe city where we support each other. Given the tragic events in New Zealand, there is an opportunity for the Council to not only reaffirm its own commitment to creating a safe and welcoming place for all, but to request notable leadership from you in affirming strong gun control laws and rejecting political donations from the gun lobby.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anna Reynolds".

Councillor Anna Reynolds
LORD MAYOR

Thursday 27 June 2019