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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Ms Mitchell says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- 1) That this house notes that:
 - a) This year Gunnedah Baptist Community Preschool are celebrating 50 years of service to the families of Gunnedah and surrounding areas.
 - b) On Sunday August 25th, students, staff and parents will be gathering to celebrate this milestone with afternoon tea at Gunnedah Town Hall.
- 2) That this house acknowledges and celebrates the incredible work of staff at Gunnedah Baptist Community Preschool including Director Michelle Tydd, Amy Marmara, Abbey Stace, Bridgette Hatton, Tegan Duffy, Raymond Field, Martha Bergholes, Jess Thompson, Jenny Allen, Julia Sheridan, Kellie Seach, Carol Davis, Chloe Newman, Katrina Knapman, Kaylene Miller, Haley Jensen, Sharon Etheridge, Louise Wilkinson.

Signed

Sarah Mitchell

Dated

15/08/24



LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

General motion - Central Coast Council referendum

Ms Boyd says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that:
 - (a) the amalgamated Central Coast Council has been under forced administration since 30 October 2020, unable to hold a democratic election until 14 September 2024 and unable to demerge,
 - (b) Administrator Rik Hart has decided that on 14 September, community members will also be asked to vote in a referendum on the following question:
 - (i) “do you favour a reduction in the number of Central Coast Councillors from fifteen to nine? This will result in three Wards with each Ward electing three Councillors.”
 - (c) the suggestion to hold such a referendum initially came from the previous Administrator, Dick Persson, built on his belief that “fifteen councillors is simply too many and does not facilitate collaborative and effective decision making and that has to change”,
 - (d) at an Ordinary Council Meeting on 11 May 2021, Council - being a single Administrator - resolved to hold a referendum on 4 September 2021 for voters to determine whether they favour a reduction in the number of Central Coast Councillors from fifteen to nine. However, due to the formal Public Inquiry into Central Coast Council, this was postponed, and since then the current Administrator has reinstated this decision,
 - (e) this decision made by a single Administrator who was not democratically elected by the people of the Central Coast fundamentally violates the democratic rights of the people of the Central Coast to democratically elect

representatives to govern, provide services, advocate and create opportunities for citizens to influence democratic processes,

- (f) the question on whether to hold this referendum should have been delayed until new councillors had been elected and able to have a say on behalf of those who elected them,
 - (g) Central Coast Council is the third largest council in NSW, with 352,000 residents, and should this proposal go ahead the ratio of residents represented by each councillor would increase by 40 per cent, from 23,462 residents per councillor to 39,104, and
 - (h) the NSW Labor Party's 2024 State Conference endorsed resolutions from Central Coast Labor Party Branches supporting the retention of fifteen councillors, with Labor Member for The Entrance David Mehan saying that less representation would mean minimal effective outcomes for the community.
- (2) That this House:
- (a) condemns the undemocratic decision of the Administrator to force the people of Central Coast to vote on this referendum, instead of allowing it to be determined by a democratically-elected council after September 14, and
 - (b) stands with the people of the Central Coast and their democratic right to retain an equitable and effective representation of councillors and wards.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

General motion - Homelessness Week 2024

Ms Boyd says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that:
 - (a) 5 August to 11 August 2024 marked this year's Homelessness Week, an annual initiative hosted by Homelessness Australia to demand government commitment to end homelessness with real solutions for change;
 - (b) domestic and family violence is the leading cause of homelessness for women and is the main reason women and children leave their homes in Australia, with older women, people with disability, First Nations people and people who live in regional and rural areas most disproportionately affected;
 - (c) according to Domestic Violence NSW (DVNSW), in the last year 37,792 people were seeking long term housing after experiencing domestic and family violence, but only 1,365 were provided long term housing;
 - (d) according to Homelessness Australia's "State of Response Report 2024",
 - (i) in the past decade from 2012-13 to 2022-23, the number of women and children sleeping rough or in a car in NSW has more than doubled, and the number of women and children couch surfing has almost tripled, and
 - (ii) from 2021-22 to 2022-23, the number of women and children sleeping rough or in a car after receiving support increased by 4 percent, and in 2022-23, 13,643 women and 10,773 children who had experienced domestic and family violence were assisted by homelessness services in NSW;

- (e) Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) in NSW continue to go underfunded by the NSW Government, in need of \$52 million just to meet demand. These services provide the main crisis response for women and children who are forced to leave their home due to violence, yet data suggests that for many there is little services can do to provide a pathway into stable, secure, long-term housing due to lack of availability and accessibility;
 - (f) victim-survivors, advocates and the domestic violence sector have long called for the NSW Government to urgently invest in social housing to support victim-survivors to have access to safe long term housing and to escape violence; and
 - (g) without access to stable, safe, accessible and affordable long term housing, the homelessness crisis we are facing will only worsen, and victim-survivors of domestic and family violence will continue to bear the brunt of inadequate government action.
- (2) That this House calls on the NSW Government to urgently prioritise ending homelessness in NSW by properly investing in crisis and temporary accommodation that is accessible for all victim-survivors of domestic and family violence, and to commit to far bolder investment in accessible and available long term housing.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

General motion - atrocities committed against the Rohingya people

Ms Boyd says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that:
 - (a) according to Human Rights Watch, Myanmar junta forces and the Arakan Army have for months been committing extrajudicial killings and widespread arson against Rohingya, Rakhine, and other civilians in Myanmar's western Rakhine State,
 - (b) on 5 August 2024, hundreds of Rohingya people including many women and children were killed by indiscriminate drone attacks near the Bangladesh and Myanmar border. It is reported that the victims of this attack were fleeing the war-torn chaos by attempting to cross the Naf River into Bangladesh to seek refuge. The number of those killed is still unknown but is believed to be at least 400,
 - (c) this recent attack is an escalation of violence against the Rohingya people that has been ongoing for years, including extrajudicial killings, widespread arson used to drive people from their homes and villages, looting of neighbourhoods, unlawful recruitment, the use of hate speech and blocking of humanitarian access,
 - (d) the Rohingya people have lived in Myanmar for generations. Before the Rohingya genocide in 2017 when over 700,000 Rohingyas were forced to flee and seek rescue in Bangladesh, an estimated 1.4 million Rohingya lived in Myanmar, and
 - (e) the Rohingya people are believed to be the most persecuted minority in the world, unable to claim citizenship in a country that refuses to recognise them and being the victims of a genocide that the majority of the world disregards.

(2) That this House calls on the Australian Government to:

- (a) stand with all those affected by the violence and condemn the ongoing violent persecution of Rohingya Muslims, and
- (b) advocate at an international level for Myanmar officials to end the conflict and halt the unlawful and indiscriminate attacks on innocent civilians, cease the use of hate speech, and allow unimpeded humanitarian access to those in need.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mr Buttigieg says—

Mr PRESIDENT:

I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

- (1) That this House notes that:
 - (a) On 7 February 2024, the Jewish Community Law Service for 2024 was held at the Great Synagogue Sydney, and ~~the Hon. Mark^F Buttigieg MLC~~ was honoured to attend at the invitation of the President of The Great Synagogue Sydney, Mr David Lewis and the Chief Minister and Senior Rabbi of The Great Synagogue Sydney, Rabbi Dr Benjamin Elton,
 - (b) The Jewish Community Law Service is a tradition of over 60 years, and is held at the start of the legal year to acknowledge the important contributions of those who uphold our legal system, and
 - (c) The 2024 service was attended by the Chief Justice of New South Wales, The Hon. Andrew Bell, distinguished members of both the State and Federal Judiciary, Members of Parliament, including the Attorney General, The Hon. Michael Daley and Ministers, The Hon. Ron Hoenig MP and The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC as well as many other industry, community and religious leaders.
- (2) That this House congratulates the Great Synagogue Sydney for conducting another very successful Jewish Community Law Service.

Signed: 

Dated: 15 Aug 2024



The Hon. Rachel Merton MLC

Member of the NSW Legislative Council

Notice of Motion

BANK BRANCH CLOSURES

Thank you Mr President

The Hon. RACHEL MERTON:

Mr PRESIDENT: I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

1. That this House recognises the detrimental effects of bank branch closures and the removal of ATMs, particularly affecting:
 - a. Customers and businesses across metropolitan and regional New South Wales.
 - b. Individuals from migrant communities,
 - c. Elderly and disabled customers who rely on face-to-face banking services and
 - d. Women suffering from domestic violence.
2. That this House urges financial institutions, especially the big four banks, to address the banking needs of communities across New South Wales by:
 - a. Halting further branch closures,
 - b. Stopping the removal of bank ATMs,
 - c. Maintaining and investing in a network of physical branches throughout New South Wales and
 - d. Exploring additional models for delivering of face-to-face banking services.

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Date

15/8/24



The Hon. Rachel Merton MLC

Member of the NSW Legislative Council

Notice of Motion

FORMAL

Cr Dr George Greiss

The Hon. RACHEL MERTON:

Mr PRESIDENT: I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

1. That this House recognises the dedicated service of Councillor Dr George Greiss, Mayor of the City of Campbelltown, to the people of Campbelltown and South Western Sydney.
2. That this House acknowledges his exceptional leadership and contribution to Campbelltown City Council where he has represented the Liberal Party since 2008, serving as Mayor, Councillor, chair and member of numerous committees.
3. That this House wishes him every success in his future endeavours and expresses gratitude for his outstanding service to Campbelltown.

Signed

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Rachel Merton', written over a horizontal line.

Date

15/8/20



The Hon. Rachel Merton MLC

Member of the NSW Legislative Council

Notice of Motion


Country Women's Association

The Hon. RACHEL MERTON:

Mr PRESIDENT: I give notice that on the next sitting day I will move:

1. That this House commends the Country Women's Association (CWA) of New South Wales for their tireless and invaluable work in supporting regional communities across the state.
2. That this House recognises the presence of CWA representatives in the New South Wales Parliament House yesterday, where they raised concerns about the rising levels of crime in regional communities.
3. That this House acknowledges the fear and anxiety expressed by the CWA regarding the rising level of youth crime in regional communities, particularly the impact on the safety and well-being of residents.
4. That this House calls on the government to take urgent and effective measures to address the rising levels of crime in regional New South Wales, ensuring the safety and security of these vital communities.

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