



A Proposed Law: to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.

Do you approve this proposed alteration?

“Chapter IX Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

129 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice

In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia:

There shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice;

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice may make representations to the Parliament and the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;

The Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws with respect to matters relating to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, including its composition, functions, powers and procedures.”





The status quo for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people with respect to life expectancy & quality of life is not good enough.



As a nation, we cannot continue with the same policies and laws to address these issues and expect a different result – we need to do something different.



No party or government has consistently and effectively provided solutions for the challenges facing Indigenous people.



Indigenous people are best placed to understand their own challenges and the solutions that actually work on the ground.



DOUBLE MAJORITY

The Australian Constitution can only be changed with the support of the majority of Australian voters **AND** a majority of voters in a majority of states (ie. at least 4 states).

A REFERENDUM IS PASSED WHEN:



A majority – more than half – of voters from all around Australia vote **YES**.

AND



A majority – more than half – of voters in at least 4 **states*** vote **YES**.

*Votes from the ACT, NT and other territories are counted in the national majority only.





We have the over 65,000 years of continuous Indigenous culture, and **it's time** our now 122 years old constitution was updated to recognise the people that were here first;



We should make this change because legal experts including former High Court judges have confirmed that a Voice to Parliament is a **legally safe** way to constitutionally recognise Indigenous Australians;



We should make this change because about **80% of Indigenous Australians support** constitutional recognition in the form of a Voice to Parliament, and



Constitutional recognition through a Voice is a **simple proposal** whose time has come. Let's get on with it.





Yes23 needs as many people as possible to show their support today.

Join us in supporting reconciliation by pledging to vote “Yes” in the national referendum.

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