RESTRICTING THE HOURS AND AVENUES FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Petition to the Honourable the President and Members of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

The Petition of the Citizens of New South Wales states that:

1. the consumption of alcohol and other drugs increases in proportion to their availability, accessibility and apparent acceptance by society;

2. the State Government is under pressure from the Federal Government's National Competition Council policy to give permission to corner shops, petrol stations, supermarkets and takeaway stores to sell alcoholic beverages;

3. alcohol has been proven to damage or destroy cells in the brain and every part of the body, and that its harmful effects on society far outweigh any possible benefits.

Your petitioners pray that in view of Government responsibility to protect the health and welfare of its citizens, especially the youngest and weakest, the Parliament of New South Wales not only restrict the sale of alcoholic beverages to existing outlets, but also reduce opening hours to eight hours per day, six days per week, and place warning labels on all containers of alcoholic beverages, especially those designed to attract the young.

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