

**TO THE HONOURABLE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS
OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

This petition of certain citizens of the State of Victoria draws to the attention of the Legislative Assembly the Submission by the State of Victoria for federal funding through Infrastructure Australia for the North East Link freeway project in Melbourne. This project would degrade the environment, lead to higher levels of car dependency and be inimical to the sustainable development of Melbourne.

The Petitioners therefore request the Legislative Assembly to:

- Recognise that the rapidly growing northern suburbs of Melbourne are poorly served by public transport due to a lack of effective transport and urban planning by the Victorian government;
- Oppose any federal or state funding for the proposed North-East Link because it would cause further deterioration in the urban environment in the north of Melbourne; and
- Resolve that any future funding proposals for transport projects by the State of Victoria should conform to a sustainable development model which incorporates a modal shift towards much more substantial usage of public transport.

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