

GOSNELLS — ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Petition

MR C.J. TALLENTIRE (Gosnells) [9.01 am]: I have a petition concerning violence in the central business district of Gosnells. It reads —

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned, say

1. The constant threat of violence and other criminal behaviour by a group of people in our community has reached an unacceptable level.
2. People working in shops in Gosnells, including the Gosnells Salvos Stores are suffering stress because they are constantly worried about when the next attack might occur.
3. Shops like the Gosnells Salvos Stores should not have to pay for their own security officers.
4. This problem has community wide implications, so it must be dealt with at a community level.

Now we ask the Legislative Assembly

5. Ensure that policing levels in Gosnells are sufficient to ensure that local shop workers can conduct their business without fear of attack; and
6. Support the work of Aboriginal organisations, including the Nyoongar Patrol, that seeks to stop or prevent anti-social behaviour.

The petition has been signed by 310 petitioners and it has been certified as conforming to the standing orders of the house. I table the petition.

[See petition 389.]