

PETITION

I, NEVILLE HUNT, in the State of Western Australia acting on behalf of National Seniors Australia Ltd, Retirement Villages Association and Western Australian Residential Complexes Residents' Association, am the promoter of this petition which contains 130 signatures.

PETITION IN RELATION TO AMELIORATION OF ENERGY COSTS LEVIED ON SENIOR CITIZENS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, ESPECIALLY THOSE ON FIXED INCOMES AND/OR SOCIAL SECURITY.

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned residents of Western Australia support the electricity concession implemented by the State Government of Victoria for the benefit of its citizens. This concession extended to Seniors Concession Card holders who are holders of a Centrelink pension Concession Card, a Centrelink Health Care card or Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold card. To quote the Hon. Mary Wooldridge MP, Minister for Community Services: "*Under the Annual Electricity Concession, low-income households will see a year-round saving of 17.5 per cent on their electricity bills.*"

We particularly beg the Government of Western Australia to ensure that all residents of retirement villages meeting the criteria described here – or any similar qualifications nominated by the Government of Western Australia – be assured of fair and equitable application of any benefit which may result from this petition.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council to recommend that the State Government of Western Australia implement a concession akin to that extant in Victoria.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

NAME	ADDRESS	SIGNATURE