

I certify that this Petition conforms with
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I, Melanie Waldron of
petition which contains ~~652~~ signatures.

in the State of Western Australia, am the promoter of this

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PETITION IN RELATION TO FLUORIDATION OF THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY OF YANCHEP

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 are opposed to fluoridation of any public water
supply in Western Australia; we particularly oppose fluoridation of water supplied by Water
Corporation to premises in Yanchep.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council to:

1. consider a submission of the principal petitioner incorporating statistical, medical and ethical
evidence showing that fluoridation of public water supplies:
 - (a) does not reduce the incidence of dental caries when compared with no systemic
fluoride treatment (i.e. no water, milk or salt fluoridation);
 - (b) is likely to cause serious medical harm, not limited to fluorosis, in a significant
percentage of a population treated with such water because fluoride is a proven
neurotoxin and nephrotoxin and is strongly associated with osteosarcoma; and
 - (c) cannot qualify as an ethical public health measure because it fails to satisfy any of the
corresponding principles of non-maleficence, beneficence, health maximisation,
efficiency, respect for autonomy, justice, or proportionality;
2. conclude that it is not reasonable for the Parliament of Western Australia to rely upon
regulatory recommendations made, or guidelines issued, by the CEO of the NHMRC pursuant
to the *National Health and Medical Research Council Act 1992* purporting to recommend that
public water supplies in Australia be fluoridated; and
3. recommend to the Minister for Health that he:
 - (a) request the Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies Advisory Committee ("FPWSAC")
to show cause why it should not immediately rescind, pursuant to s. 13(1)(a)(i) of the
Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies Act 1966, its recommendations that fluorine be
added to the water supply of Yanchep and to the water supply of each other place in
Western Australia in relation to which FPWSAC has made such a recommendation,
respectively; and, having procured FPWSAC's rescissions of those recommendations,
 - (b) without delay approve of, pursuant to s. 13(2)(a) of the *Fluoridation of Public Water
Supplies Act 1966*, each of FPWSAC's rescissions of recommendation and proceed to
advise each respective water supply authority accordingly.

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

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