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in the State of Western Australia am the promoter of this petition which contains 72 Signatures

PETITION CALLING ON THE GOVERNMENT TO RESOURCE A FOOD SECURITY CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT IN BROOME FOR ABORIGINAL CHILDREN IN NEED

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, respectfully say that we are Aboriginal women struggling to maintain household food security for our children for a range of complex historical, social, cultural and economic reasons. Our children face higher risks from health, mental health issues, and imprisonment, all of which are linked by empirical evidence to household food insecurity; and are 13.4 times more likely to be recorded in child protection statistics than non ATSI children and young people. We strongly support the activity being carried out by Feed The Little Inc. charity that is helping us to maintain household food security for our children and develop culturally sensitive food security specific capacity building/training for our children.

Your petitioners therefore, respectfully request the Legislative Council to now support us Aboriginal women and our children in our struggles by:

- a. Providing urgent funding, resources and data to the unique Feed the Little Children Inc. Charity to stop it from closing so they can continue to help us.
- b. Conducting an immediate Parliamentary investigation to confirm or deny Feed the Little Children Inc. impacts on juvenile crime reduction, increased juvenile health and wellbeing, increased school attendance and breaking poverty cycles for our children.
- c. Provide an MOU between relevant government agencies and Feed The Little Children Inc. for immediate access, in accordance with legislation, to all necessary sanitised aggregated child data relating to health, mental health, education, crime and child protection to help collect quantitative evidence.

I certify that this Petition is in conformity with the provisions of the Act of the Legislative Council

Your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

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