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Hon Simon O'Brien MLC  
Chairman  
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs  
Parliament House, Harvest Terrace  
PERTH WA 6000

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Dear Chairman,

### **PETITION NO 61 – URGENT ASSISTANCE NEEDED TO IMPROVE HOUSING CONDITIONS IN WARRALONG COMMUNITY**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide a written submission in support of my Petition No 61 – Urgent Assistance needed to Improve Housing conditions in Warralong Community.

I confirm that the issues raised in this petition have been an ongoing issue for Warralong community residents who would like the delivery of basic services improved and fairer living conditions maintained. Residents are concerned that a number of agencies are getting funding to provide services at Warralong that we, the community, don't believe are being delivered.

Department of Housing tenants based at Warralong want services provided to them as per the Residential Tenancies Act. They would like to see a copy of their tenancy condition reports, maintenance records and waiting lists indicating overcrowding of 90 people in 9 houses in the community for years.

Warralong residents want the government to provide a safe living environment for all residents including regular rubbish collections as per established government contracts and the community cleared of any potential missiles leading up to the Cyclone season.

Warralong residents decided at a recent community day that the community needs a paid Community co-ordinator to monitor the services being provided; plan and coordinate community needs; assist in community development; and seek employment and training opportunities for individuals.

Your attention to this issue will be greatly appreciated by the affected families and advocates.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Fred  
Chairperson – Karntimarta Aboriginal Corporation