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To whom it may concern

Co-design process: Submission for Belinda Moore

I am a white woman of Settler descent who lives on Ngadgjon country in Far North Queensland. I am originally from Sydney. I am studying Sustainability through the University of Tasmania. Previously, I have studied Education and Psychology through James Cook University in Townsville. I also have qualifications in Business. I work at Eacham Community Help Organisation - ECHO Empowering Services as a Community Engagement Worker.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart is important because it gives a voice to First Nations people. A voice that needs to be built into our Constitution, not just recognition in the pre-amble.

It is important for the voice of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to be built into our Constitution so that they are finally acknowledged as First Nations people of Australia.

A Voice to Parliament would reinstate Hope and Pride in my Community.

It is important for all Indigenous people to have self-determination and full and effective participation. This has been identified by the UN and implemented across the world. It needs to be actioned in Australia. Indigenous people have been left behind by us, it's time to recognise them formally, and implement substantive change.

Thank you,

Belinda Moore