

Submissions with substantially similar content – *From the Heart*

141 submissions were received with the position listed on the From the Heart website, and using substantially similar content as the basis for the submission.

The From the Heart website provided an outline of their key position, guidelines to make a submission, and a direct [link](#) to provide a submission. The organisation also provided postage paid postcards. The content of these submissions is below. Note, where submissions drew on these points but included additional or different content, they have been published separately.

For those that contained substantially similar content, there were 41 people who requested their submission be provided anonymously, and there were 60 From the Heart postcards received. The 40 people that requested their name be published with their submission are indicated in the table below.

Key points:

1. The government must honour its election commitment to a referendum once the model for the Voice has been settled;
2. Enabling legislation for the Voice must be passed after a referendum has been held in the next term of Parliament; and
3. The membership model for the National Voice must ensure previously unheard Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have the same chance of being selected as established leadership figures.

Additional points:

1. Response to Interim Co-Design Proposals
 - The National Voice must be representative of the diverse populations and needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people:
 - The National Voice must speak to the Commonwealth Parliament and Government on policy and legislation.
 - The National Voice must not be a 'third chamber' of Parliament.
 - The National Voice must not deliver programs or services.
 - The National Voice must act and operate independently from the Parliament and Government.
2. The National Voice must be enshrined in the Constitution
 - Enabling legislation for the Voice must be passed after a referendum has been held in the next term of Parliament.
 - For the avoidance of doubt, the National Voice must not be legislated or otherwise implemented before a referendum is held.
3. Two-stage process to establish the Voice:
 - There should be a separate structured process to consider the constitutional, legislative and executive options to enact the National Voice following the completion of the Voice Co-Design Final Report. This process will result in:
 - An exposure draft bill for the Voice as per the final Co-Design report to give the Australian public a comprehensive look at the details of the Voice before a referendum is held;
 - A draft constitutional amendment for a new provision for a Voice that will then be put to the Australian people for a vote in a referendum; and
 - A pathway to a referendum in the next term of Parliament.



Table: The following people presented submissions with substantially similar content to the From the Heart key points and requested that their submissions be published with their names:

Alexandra Day	Fiona Sim	Maggie Jones
Alison Jones	Frances D'Ambra	Martin Munz
Alison Whiting	Gerrit Walters	Michael Rolik
Aruna Manandhar	Glen Williams	Nancy Oosterhoff
Barvara Hush	Graeme Batterbury	Nathan Zhao
Belle Leard	Helen Nugent	Pauline Bleach
Brian Fogarty	Jaclyn Masters	Peter Reid
Brooke Penny	Jenny Rae	Peter Vail
Cambridge University Press Australia	Joanna Boundy	Rowena Skinner
Carol Holden	John L Hayes	Sheila
Claire Foley	Jonathan Atkin	Sue Martin
Donald Green	Kate Lamb	Trevor R Parmenter AM
Edwina MacDonald	Kay McPadden	
Erik W. Aslaksen	Laura McKay	

Postcard front and back.



To the Voice Secretariat Australian Government Canberra

I support an Indigenous VOICE to Parliament, enshrined in the Constitution

1. I request that the Federal government honours its electoral promise to take a model for a VOICE to Parliament, to a referendum.
2. I ask for legislation for the VOICE to be passed after the referendum in the next term of Parliament
3. The National VOICE member model must be a model that ensures ALL Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island grassroots voices are heard.