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Christmas Eve Part-Day Holiday Consultation

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Dear Sir/Madam

Submission – Christmas Eve Part-Day Public Holiday Consultation

Maryborough Sports Club thanks the Queensland Government of the opportunity to provide comment on the proposal to declare a part day public holiday, from 6pm to 12am on Christmas Eve (24th December).

Maryborough Sports Club does not support the Queensland Government's proposal to declare a part day public holiday on Christmas Eve and submits that there be no change to the legislation in this regard.

If a part day public holiday was to be declared on Christmas Eve, it would cost Maryborough Sports Club an additional \$1750 of additional wage cost if a public holiday penalty was to be paid for staff typically rostered during this period. The Maryborough Sports Club is already competing with rising overheads and decreasing revenues. The imposition of additional labour cost during this period would result in the Maryborough Sports Club cancelling the entertainment and have a reduced roster or maybe closing at 6pm on Christmas Eve.

By putting forward this proposal, it is clear the Queensland Government does not appreciate the current trading environment of our industry and that of small to medium sized business generally.

I can be contacted on 0741231499 should any clarification be required.

Yours Faithfully

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