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Christmas Eve Part-Day Public Holiday Consultation

Office of Industrial Relations

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Via email: publichol@oir.qld.gov.au

To whom it may concern:

The Queensland Community Alliance wishes to support the proposed introduction of a part-day public holiday on Christmas Eve beginning at 6pm.

We believe that this will benefit our community by allowing people to:

- Participate in religious services on Christmas Eve,
- Take part in family activities, especially for cultures that celebrate on Christmas Eve,
- Travel long distances for family events on Christmas Day.

The Qld Community Alliance brings together over 30 member organisations across civil society to work for the common good. We are churches, mosques and other faith groups with trade unions, community organisations and ethnic associations. Together we represent more than 1.6 million Queenslanders.

Many of the biggest challenges facing our community stem from a lack of time for family and community. Money is always given precedence over this family and community time. We would be pleased to see this reversed in this situation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Devett Kennedy'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

Devett Kennedy

Lead Organiser