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Mr David Barclay President Tasmanian Industrial Commission GPO Box 1108 HOBART TAS 7001

Dear Mr Barclay

Thank you for your correspondence dated 14th March 2019 in relation to the Parliamentary Salaries, Allowances and Entitlements Issues Paper seeking input.

I would like to make a submission to address a number of the areas to be covered under the Inquiry process.

- 11. Committee Sitting Fees The Committee work of the Parliament is extremely important and it is my
 view that as a small Parliament with Members from both Houses required to be part of the Committee
 process which can often be significant additional work to the work required for Parliament and one's
 electorate commitments that all Members including the Chair should be entitled to a Committee Sitting
 Fee.
- 15. Bass Strait Islands Travelling Allowance As the elected Member for McIntyre formally Apsley representing the Furneaux group I would like to support the existing provision of the current arrangements which in my time as the Member is used to visit the Islands on a semi-regular basis to attend events and support the Island community as necessary.
- 16. Resettlement Allowance It is my view that a Tasmanian MP should be entitled to a resettlement allowance following the loss of public office. In many cases MPs have relinquished positions to stand for election and subsequently take up a role and returning to previous employment is not always possible and a resettlement allowance would assist with that transitioning period that I expect is very challenging. I note from the information provided that the South Australian arrangements provide 12 weeks of basic salary and I believe that given that Tasmania and South Australia are compared in various instances the South Australian model would be the most appropriate for Tasmania.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission and I would be willing to speak to my submission should the Commission deem necessary.

Yours sincerely

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