

His Excellency Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC CSC RANR
Governor of South Australia
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Your Excellency,

The petition of the undersigned shows:

1. A proclamation prohibiting subdivision of the Cheltenham Park Racecourse site was declared by His Excellency the Governor of South Australia Sir Edric Bastyan on 29 June 1961 (*South Australian Government Gazette*, June 29, 1961 p1454).
2. His Excellency the Governor made the proclamation being satisfied that it was "in the public interests" to preserve the land as open space.
3. The Cheltenham Park Racecourse site is a naturally flood-prone area of open space underlain by multiple aquifers.
4. Amid the worst water crisis ever to face South Australia, it is now more than ever in the public interest to preserve the land as open space because of its prime conditions for stormwater harvesting, aquifer storage and recovery.
5. If the entire site is preserved as open space (incorporating wetlands, woodlands/parklands and sporting fields), it would be possible to harvest and recycle water on a scale that would significantly contribute to attaining a sustainable water supply for the city of Adelaide.
6. Preserving the land as open space would also provide a solution to the City of Charles Sturt's flood mitigation obligations, improve the quality of life for Adelaide's western suburb residents who suffer a dearth of public open space, create an opportunity to restore biodiversity in the area, and preserve remnant Kaurna land.

Your petitioner asks His Excellency not to revoke or vary the 1961 proclamation that prohibits subdivision of the described Land, Cheltenham Park Racecourse, (A.G.O., 168/1960) into allotments for sites for residences, shops, factories, or other like premises.

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Address:

Signature: