

## **Petition to the Australian Senate requesting Parliament to take action to move our embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem**

Dear friends

Most of you will be aware of initiatives that are taking place in a number of nations around the world to move their respective embassies to Jerusalem.

A petition here in Australia has been carefully drawn up that acknowledges Australia's enduring warm and close relationship with Israel, and now requests our Federal Parliament to build on that by taking immediate steps to relocate the Australian embassy in Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

Relocating our embassy to Jerusalem will be an unmistakable expression of our belief that Jerusalem is Israel's eternal and undivided capital, and a truly united Jerusalem will further enhance Israel's reputation in the region as a protector of the rights of minorities.

We are grateful for the very major contribution made by Judy Russell in drafting the petition. We are now asking you to send the attached petition sheets to all those in your network of family, friends, church and where appropriate the wider community. Please note the following:

- It is important that no one signs on the back of the sheets, which you and your friends are encouraged to duplicate, keeping a blank master sheet to photocopy as necessary. The full petition text needs to appear at the top of every page on which there are signatures - no signatures on pages just by themselves.
- Signatures must be in original handwriting. If unable to sign, the petitioner may ask another person to sign on his or her behalf.
- There is no lower age limit in the relevant standing orders applying to those wishing to sign the petition.
- Completed petition sheets should be collated and sent by 11 November 2017 at the very latest to the Principal Petitioner, PO Box 1785, Buderim, Queensland 4556. The petition with all signatures will be forwarded to a supportive Australian senator for presentation in our Federal Parliament.

Our aim - with your help - is to be in a position to submit this petition to the Senate with as many signatures as possible with a view to its presentation in Parliament at an appropriate time before the end of this historic and momentous year.

You and your colleagues are also encouraged to write individually to your local Senator and local Member of the Federal House of Representatives in support of the petition, and urged to uphold this entire initiative in prayer. Truly we believe the Lord is in this. May we know afresh His favour as we bless Israel in this way!

Blessings

Keith Buxton

Principal Petitioner - on behalf of Australian pro-Israel Christian leaders

15 July 2017