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**CEDUNA DISTRICT HEALTH SERVICES HAC -- RESPONSE TO THE ABOLITION OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

15<sup>th</sup> August 2014

The Honorable  
Mr Jay Weatherill  
Parliament House  
North Terrace  
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Dear Mr Weatherill

This letter is a response to your intention to abolish Boards and Committees. I am the Presiding Member of the Ceduna District Health Service HAC. The following are points which I would like you to consider before abolishing our HAC.

- We are the perfect avenue for the Government to engage with our community as we are their representatives.
- Our HAC only costs the Government a minimal amount of money.
- Our HAC represents a wide section of the community and we cover a large area surrounding Ceduna.
- We own the Hospital, Senior Citizens Village, the Doctors' and Dentist's licences and the Independent Living Units and therefore are required for our input into the running of these facilities.
- We meet monthly and discuss a wide variety of subjects pertaining to our Health Service.
- We also manage a Donations Account on behalf of the Hospital Auxiliary and public donations.
- We are involved in the selection of candidates who apply for the Undergraduate Rural Scholarship to study any health related course.
- When our new hospital was built 5 years ago we were heavily involved in the consultation with the community. We gauged public opinion as to what the particular needs were.
- We are the conduit for the community with regards to the services that are needed at the hospital – eg dermatology, radiology, physiotherapy, podiatry, ear nose and throat, cardiologist. We have worked tirelessly to attract these people to our area.

We would appreciate it if you could consider these points and continue with HAC's as they are an important and worthwhile avenue for engaging the community. We are the voice of our town and provide a link to Country Health.

Kind regards

Yvonne Kloeden

Presiding Member

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Hon Jay Weatherill MP  
Premier of South Australia

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Dear Ms Kloeden

Thank you for your facsimile of 15 August 2014 to the Premier of South Australia, the Hon Jay Weatherill MP, about the Boards and Committees reform.

Your facsimile has been sent to the Minister for Health, the Hon Jack Snelling MP as he has been asked to provide advice to Cabinet on the future of your committee.

Should you have any queries about your facsimile, please contact the Minister's office on telephone 8463 6270.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

**Premier's Correspondence Unit  
Office of the Premier**

18 August 2014

*cc: Office of the Hon Jack Snelling MP, Minister for Health*