



5 September 2022

Dear Dr Sophie Scamps MP,

I am writing on behalf of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in Australia about the upcoming Bill to establish the National Anti-Corruption Commission. We are asking you to work together, with other independent Parliamentarians, to stand strong and advocate for a NACC that will serve the future of Australian society, the common good and the environment well. Much will need to change in the parliamentary subculture to achieve good integrity, however we are hopeful that over time, change can be achieved.

Quakers in Australia have accepted the "Show Integrity in Public Office" project to support the federal parliament to establish a strong integrity commission. It is a concern we are taking into the public realm, as Quakers have done for centuries that began at the formation of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in England in 1652.

For Quakers, integrity is outwards, in our personal, societal behaviour, as well as inwards, in spiritual practice. We collectively discern what we are called by God or Spirit to do at this time regarding integrity, peace, equality, fairness, unity, care of people and of the earth. The integrity project arose out of this faith tradition.

The project and actions are independent of politicians and political parties. We support those who also work for greater integrity in public office and welcome others to join us. For further information: <https://www.quakersaustralia.info/concerns/quakers-taking-action/integrity-public-office-project>

In peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce Henry".

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