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**STATE PLANNING COMMISSION**

To Whom it May Concern ;

**SUBMISSION (via email ) ON PLANNING AND DESIGN CODE ; WEST TORRENS RESIDENTIAL ZONE .**

I currently live at [REDACTED] Torrensville , within the West Torrens Residential Zone, and specifically the Cowandilla/Mile End Character Area 23. I have lived at this same address for over 25 years.

I have recently become aware, through talking to neighbours that planning reforms may see my beautiful area rezoned as a 'Housing Diversity Neighbourhood Zone'. I am at a loss to understand why our area would be singled out for this planning zoning when neighbouring suburbs, with similar heritage and character features are being zoned differently. The decision appears to be random and without any apparent clear rationale. Furthermore when I have attempted to find further information this has been both difficult , complex and non-transparent. The lack of any transparent or reasonable and fair process is particularly galling for us as residents. I note from talking to neighbours, and our Council that the proposal does not fully adhere to the requirements of the Community Engagement Charter and that some of our residents who are of a non-English speaking background may not be adequately aware of the changes proposed.

That being said I would like to strongly oppose this form of zoning for our area and would like to join my neighbours in asking that our any change to our current zoning sees our area zoned as, a 'Suburban Neighbourhood Zone' . Recent heritage reviews of our area note the character and history of our suburb – and this is clearly viable simply walking our street. More recent sympathetic developments have seen the preservation of older buildings and the enhancement of our street-scapes. Newer from the ground developments rarely add to this sense of character and are often frankly an eyesore.

My house was built in 1900 and features original sandstone, slate and redbrick cornicing ; this form of housing is unique to South Australia and is something we often hear interstate visitors comment on . To lose this heritage so close to our city centre is inappropriate and short-sighted, at the least and I am very concerned that the proposed Housing Diversity Neighbourhood Zoning could see the significant community and character of our neighbourhood lost forever.

Kind regards,

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