# **PETITION**

## BY A CAIRNS RESIDENT

The Chief Executive Officer Council Chambers 119 - 145 Spence Street Cairns FNQ 4870

#### ATTENTION: ALL CAIRNS CITY COUNCILLORS

**Dear Councillors** 

I know it is my duty to keep you informed as to **MY WILL** on any matter that comes before the Cairns City Council (*Council*) or should come before the Council.

It is MY WILL that you take immediate action to remedy the 2005/06 rates increase fiasco.

#### 1) PRESENT SITUATION

The current Council **rating system** attacks and undermines the inherited rights of peace, order, and good governance as guaranteed by the Australian Constitution to residents.

#### 2) PROPOSED REMEDY

Council adopts, when developing its 2006/07 rates structure, the general principles of...

- Fair and Equitable
- > Lawful and Just
- **Efficient** and **Flexible**
- > Simple and Transparent

### 3) WARRANT

That Council effectively removes the current draconian **rating formula** and adopts the necessary tool, or a combination of those tools, legally administrable under the Local Government Act 1993, and applies such a formula based on the 2004/05 rating period.

**FAILURE** by Councillors, either individually or collectively, to demonstrate a responsibility and a duty of care to Cairns residents by initiating a fair and equitable rating system for **ALL** residents will result in my taking the following actions:

- 1) I will support the Cairns Residents Reference Group (Rates) which will actively lobby the State Government in an effort to secure the appointment of an Administrator until such time as a new election of Cairns City Councillors has been effected.
- I will actively campaign against my Divisional Councillor, the Mayor, and ALL other incumbent Divisional Councillors to ensure your collective removal from Cairns City Council, via the ballot box process.

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