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Melbourne Heritage Action are very pleased to see this initiative being taken by the City of Melbourne, following an Age article we were quoted in and subsequent artistic scaffolding work on Curtin House by Rooftop Cinema.

Besides the public benefits on heritage restorations of advertising what is being restored behind to celebrate and mark city landmarks, for a city that prides itself on being an artistic and cultural capital it seems like we let far too much blank space dominate our city during constructions, A mandate on large civic projects and at least a conversation with developers on private ones seems like a good response that should see a new canvas for many local artists, and Melbourne easily trump Sydney in regards to creative scaffolding, which they are already mandating in a similar way to what's being proposed here.

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City Services - information access for displaced and homeless

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Do we have publicly accessible - i.e. posters / written material information for displaced and homeless residents to access in public in 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We the CBD, so that displaced residents can contact resources relevant to their individual situations for the purpose of seeking assistance?

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I study Geology here in Melbourne, and over the last few years I have learnt continously of the fragility of the global environment as well as how important its stability is for our very survival. I recently saw modelling showing large residential zones along the Yarra and Maribyrnong rivers flooded by rising sea levels over the next few decades. Because of this, and many other factors, it is vital for our city's liveability and the safety of our residents that we curb the effect on climate change and ensure renewable energy to power our city into the future. For this reason it is vital that the state, and it's legislative council, is sent a message from it's capital that we need the Victorian Renewable Energy Target.

The economics of renewable energies also points to the conclusion of a transition to renewables being accelerated now. The energy sector is in transition, as investment moves away from fossil fuels to clean renewable energy. In 2014, uncertainty in national renewable energy policy saw a loss of 1 in 10 jobs in Melbourne's renewable energy sector. Companies such as Windlab moved their offices to Canberra, attracted by the ACT's 100% Renewable Energy Target.

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It was great to hear that the City of Melbourne showed leadership by setting a renewable energy target of 25% by 2018. I would encourage more ambitious targets in the future, but the investment required for this modest target needs passing by the state. With a thriving renewable energy sector, Melbourne could take it's place as a key regional hub for cleantech investment in the Asia-Pacific. It's a no-brainer for the Melbourne City Council to greatly encourage state-level partners to help build this future.

Thanks for taking my submission. I look forward to seeing Councillor's support the motion on Tuesday night, as I plan to be there.

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Dear Councillors,

I trust you're well.

In 2012 I started working at Friends of the Earth as a community coordinator for our Yes 2 Renewables project.

During that time I've worked closely with communities who want to see solar and wind development in their neighbourhoods and regions, as well as industry representatives who see the economic opportunities of swift action on climate change.

Uncertainty in the renewable energy market throughout 2014 saw several Melbourne companies shed jobs to survive.

Research conducted by Friends of the Earth found one in ten jobs were cut. I observed the human side of this tough time for the sector. Several renewable energy workers were retrenched and other lived with the stress of job loss for at up to two years.

In 2017, the prospects for Melbourne's renewable energy sector are looking good. And it's thanks to a community campaign for a Victorian Renewable Energy Target. After years of advocacy the Daniel Andrews government committed to a target of 40 percent renewables by 2025. The initiative will create 11,000 jobs and attract \$9 billion worth of investment to the state via a competitive reverse auction process to bring new renewable energy capacity online.

The City of Melbourne has much to gain. Companies are setting up headquarters in the CBD to capitilise on the Victorian renewable energy boom. Tilt Renewables recently opened a Melbourne base, joining the likes of Vestas, Senvion, and Pacific Hydro in the CBD.

Councillor Cathy Oke's motion, seconded by Councillor Arron Wood, is a welcome one.

Melbourne City Councillors have an opportunity to build on the City's leadership on renewable energy and climate change initiatives.

Passing the motion will send a strong signal to the renewable energy industry that Melbourne is open for business and welcomes cleantech investment. Backing the motion will reaffirm the City of Melbourne's commitment to sustainability and climate change action in the lead up to the highly anticipated EcoCity conference.

Once the state parliament passes legislation to enshrine Victorian Renewable Energy Target, our state will benefit from jobs, investment, and action on climate change. The City of Melbourne can be a part of this success story too.

Kind Regards,

Leigh Ewbank

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It can take the next step and send a strong signal that Melbourne is the place to be for renewable energy investment by supporting the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets. I look forward to seeing Councillors' support for the motion on Tuesday night.

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Yours Sincerely,

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Senvion Australia welcomes the motion seeking the City of Melbourne's support for the passage of the VRET legislation in the Victorian Parliament.

Senvion first established its Australian headquarters in Melbourne in 2002. Since then, Senvion Australia has delivered approximately 10% of the Australian wind energy market with projects in Victoria, South Australia and New South Wales. The majority of our work has been in Victoria, and we have delivered over 30% of the State's 1,249 megawatts of operating wind farms.

Moving to a low carbon economy will require a transformation in the way we supply and use energy. Renewable energy has a critical role to play in Australia's energy future. Accelerating the uptake of renewable energy will require stable and supportive policies.

While the Australia-wide Renewable Energy Target (RET) provides a market for new renewable energy projects in the

short-term, in the absence of a long-term policy framework for reducing emissions from the energy sector, the renewable energy sector is facing another period of investor uncertainty.

Continued uncertainty about the national policy framework for renewable energy has meant that the industry has not been able to fully realise the local opportunities associated with new wind farms. If there is a strong and sustained market for new renewable energy projects, then local employment, manufacturing and training opportunities will emerge.

When implemented, the VRET will help to maintain investor momentum in the clean energy sector, which will support the transition to a lower carbon energy system, while also delivering local economic benefits.

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To whom it may concern

A muddle and a mess in the energy sector, as it moves away from fossil fuels.

Jobs in the renewable sector are just waiting to happen.

I'm not an expert, but you reading this, and all other submissions in this area know the landscape.

The City of Melbourne as leader in this area, and regional hub for innovation and ideas - why not? Victoria is the education/knowledge state, Melbourne is the core - that's the claim.

Renewable Energy	Targets.
I look forward to se	eing Councillor's support the motion on Tuesday night.
Yours sincerely	
John Langer North Fitzroy (not a	a resident of Melbourne, but what happens in Melbourne has an impact everywhere in Victoria
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Send a strong signal that Melbourne is the place to be for renewable energy investment – supporting the Victorian

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Dear Councillors,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the motion in support of the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets (VRET), a vital policy that will decarbonise the state's energy system, contribute to a boom in renewable energy jobs, and position Melbourne a key regional hub for cleantech investment.

The energy system is undergoing a transition. Investment is moving away from fossil fuels toward clean, renewable energy technologies. In 2014, uncertainty in national renewable energy policy saw a loss of 1 in 10 jobs in Melbourne's renewable energy sector. Companies such as Windlab moved their offices to Canberra, attracted by the ACT's 100% Renewable Energy Target.

Research conducted by Yes 2 Renewables found that in 2014, uncertainty in national renewable energy policy saw 1 in 10 jobs in Melbourne's renewable energy sector vanish. To see the sector flourish it is vital that governments support policy that create investment certainty.

The Victorian Renewable Energy Targets of 25% by 2020 and 40% by 2025 are bringing certainty back to the sector. The policy will create 11,000 jobs across Victoria, attract up to \$9 billion in new capital investment and see \$2.5 billion in additional economic activity. Already firms such as Tilt Renewables have moved their headquarters to the city of Melbourne. Additionally, Victoria's shift to renewable energy is opening up new opportunities in the cleantech sector. For example, firms like Geli specialising in energy storage solutions have also moved their regional headquarters to Melbourne.

With a thriving renewable energy sector, Melbourne could take it's place as a key regional hub for cleantech investment in the Asia-Pacific.

The City of Melbourne has already shown leadership by setting it's own renewable energy target of 25% by 2018 and establishing a zero net energy strategy.

As a member of the C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group, Melbourne City Council can take the next step and send a strong signal that Melbourne is open for business by supporting the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets. I look forward to seeing Councillors vote in support of this motion on Tuesday evening.

Thank you and all the best,

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Dear Sir and Madam

I am a mother of three children and a grandmother too. I want a clean future for my children, grandchildren and their children to come. Victoria is leading the way with its ban on fracking and the moratorium on gas mining. This move away from filthy fossil fuels is heartening. It was sad to see jobs lost in 2014 as business decided that Canberra with its 100% Renewable Energy Target was the place to be.

The Victorian Renewable Energy Target of 25% by 2020 and 40% by 2025 is good and our state will prosper as businesses decide to set up shop in Victoria, increasing job opportunities and promoting our state of Victoria and its clean green status.

Melbourne is an awesome city and has already shown leadership by setting its own renewable energy target of 25% by 2018 and establishing a zero net energy strategy. The City of Melbourne will further enhance its appeal to renewable energy investors by supporting the Victorian Renewable Energy Targets. It will also be making a move to a cleaner

healthier future for the children to come. I look forward to seeing Councillors support the motion on Tuesday night
Yours sincerely
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The energy sector is in transition, as investment moves away from fossil fuels to clean renewable energy. The world market is and will continue reflecting this transition and I beleive it is in Melbourne's best interest to start backing and implementing renewable energy now.

In 2014, uncertainty in national renewable energy policy saw a loss of 1 in 10 jobs in Melbourne's renewable energy sector. Companies such as Windlab moved their offices to Canberra, attracted by the ACT's 100% Renewable Energy Target.

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Please support the Victorian Renewable Energy Target on Tuesday night. The lack of support for a strong renewable energy policy in Victoria since 2014 has been hugely detrimental to the sector. It has made it difficult for investors because they have been uncertain if this vital but fledgling industry will get the required government support. In 2014, ten percent of jobs were lost in the sector and companies such as Windlab moved to other states.

In the meantime other states, such as the ACT, and other countries (too many to name) have moved ahead with investment in renewable energy. Victoria will be left behind, with out of date energy infrastructure, unskilled workforce and redundant jobs.

The VRET targets are forecast to create 11,000 jobs, attract \$9 billion of new capital investment to Victoria, and \$2.5 billion in additional economic activity.

The City of Melbourne's renewable energy target of 25% by 2018 and zero net energy strategy show that it is serious

about renewable energy and leading on climate change. I hope the vote on Tuesday will be in line with this and will support urgent transition from fossil fuels.

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Please write your submission in the space provided below and submit by no later than 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We encourage you to make your submission as early as possible.

Renewable energy is the only way forward, given the catastrophic effects on the the whole earth by carbon release from burning of all fossil fuels.

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Victoria's RETs are critical in securing innovative work for our state, and expediting the transition to renewable energy before we increase the 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We damaging impacts of climate change on our environment & society.

> I look forward to the CoM council's support for Cr Oke's motion on Tuesday.

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Please write your submission in the space provided below and submit by no later than 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We encourage you to make your submission as early as possible.

The renewable energy industry is now thriving more than ever. This is thanks to Victoria's Renewable Energy Target. Said target will create 11,000 jobs across the state, attract up to \$9 billion in new capital investment and see \$2.5 billion in additional economic activity. Firms, such as Tilt Renewables, have moved their headquarters to the city of Melbourne because of this.

Because of the current plans to make Melbourne a hotspot for the renewable energy sector, it could take its place as a key regional hub for cleantech investment in the Asia-Pacific.

Having said that, I - also - urge the Victorian government to be open to increasing its renewable energy targets. If the targets increase, so will the benefits of the renewable energy sector. After all, due to the many pollution-related deaths and the disasters caused by our changing climate, we're needing clean renewable energy more than ever.

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## RE: Tobacco Free Investments

I write on behalf of the Australian Council on Smoking and Health (ACOSH). ACOSH is an independent coalition that represents a further 43 prominent West Australian organisations with a shared concern about smoking and its harmful consequences.

We are writing to you about the important issue of tobacco free investments that will be discussed at your Council meeting on May 30, 2017.

You may be aware that there is growing action among major governmental and other groups to move out of investment in tobacco companies. In Western Australia, the state government super fund GESB ended its \$52m investment in tobacco companies after a policy review in May 2013, following decisions from the Future Fund and similar funds in other jurisdictions.

We would like to commend the City of Melbourne for taking leadership to consider divesting its funds from the tobacco industry. This is a terrific initiative that establishes a valuable precedent for Australian Local Governments to implement tobacco free investments.

Currently, ACOSH is implementing a strategy to advocate for funds from Local Governments in Western Australia to become tobacco free. Considering that Local Governments are required to develop and implement a Public Health Plan, ACOSH considers this a unique opportunity to incorporate tobacco control measures at the local level, including the implementation of tobacco free portfolios.

As you will be aware, tobacco is still the largest preventable cause of death and disease, responsible globally for more than six million deaths each year. Two thirds of Australian smokers will die prematurely because they smoked, and smoking will cause the deaths of 1.8 million Australian smokers now alive.

The major international tobacco companies hold a justified position as the world's least reputable industry. These companies have done and continue to do their best to oppose and undermine the work of governments and health agencies, and are promoting smoking ruthlessly around the world, and particularly in developing countries.

Australian Governments are obliged to pay the massive costs of health and medical treatments for diseases caused by smoking. The Australian public pays, both by and through their Governments, and personally, for the death and disease caused by tobacco companies.

We are aware that investment in tobacco was historically a "good" investment in that it typically resulted in financial gains. The underlying premise for a positive financial return is obvious: tobacco companies do not pay for the damages caused by the use of the product they aggressively produce, market and sell at a vast profit. In fact, as was illustrated by litigation leading to the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement and the associated discovery disclosures, the tobacco industry has a long history of misleading and deceptive conduct in the marketing and sale of its products.

Governments and fund managers have fiduciary responsibilities that should be guided by 'Principles of Responsible Investment' – including the integration of environmental, social and corporate governance principles. Using these principles to inform investment does not in any way erode financial responsibilities: Grouped together, "ethical" funds have been reported as outperforming their mainstream counterparts.

We would be happy to provide further information to the City of Melbourne if this is required. We hope that the City of Melbourne will follow the example of the many other major governmental and other organisations that have taken this important decision.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/business/india-business/india-solar-power-tariff-finds-new-floor-at-rs-2-97/articleshow/57087310.cms

China has just put the largest floating solar farm online today:

https://www.treehugger.com/corporate-responsibility/worlds-largest-floating-solar-farm-now-online-china.html

In Australia we must play a role as leader and catch up to the rest of the world before we are left with not just billions of

dollars of stranded assets but a reputation in tatters.

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We need to not only continue to push our admirable task of divestment from the fossil fuel industry but become a leading City in the world on establishing RETs and investment in the area of solar and wind.

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The RET's are the primary drivers of carbon reduction and investment in renewables. Embracing these targets means embracing our clean energy future and a robust renewable energy sector.

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It is wonderful to see such a positive motion which supports renewable energy.

I would love to see Victoria move forward rapidly in its attempts to mitigate climate change. Victoria needs to be more supportive of renewable energy, not only for the sake of reducing emissions, but to build confidence within the renewable energy industry.

The city of Melbourne is an influential role model and have already proved themselves as leaders in this area. I hope there is unanimous support for the proposed motion on Tuesday.

I look forward to hearing the outcome.

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Hello,

I have worked with communities for the past three years on community energy projects. Many Victorians are eager for a policy that will support their ambition.

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Thank you.

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Support the Victorian RET

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Hi team.

encourage you to make your submission as early as possible.

10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We We need to do everything we can to encourage the State Government to pass the Renewable Energy Targets legislation.

> I fully support the motion to be put by Cr Oke. I hope that Council will too.

It is fundamentally a good idea - we must convert to renewables from coal for our energy needs fast - even at the cost of some pain in the short term. Otherwise there will be no long term.

Many thanks

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Please let me introduce myself as Peter Stafford, a professional firefighter of 30 plus years in Victoria.

Meteorological and climate scientists and experts the world over including from BMO, NASA, WMO, IPCC etc. all conclude that we are going to see more severe weather events because of a changing climate due to anthropological climate change.

This effects people in my line of work (emergency services, health services etc) very badly but also everyone on the planet. If accelerated climate change occurs as it is predicted to, then positive feedback loops will create a warming of the planet that will be very hard if not impossible to stop.

Surely replacing fossil fuels with Renewable Energy is the sensible thing to do as it will help mitigate climate change whilst creating jobs, industries and decreasing local pollution as well. Community energy is another positive that may be created to solve this problem. I love being part of the solution by having my own shares in Hepburn Wind Farm which is Victoria's first Community Energy Generator, as well as my own PV panels at home. Please take my example and encourage the uptake of as much RE as possible.

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We applaud Crs Oke and Wood for bringing the motion.

In lieu of federal leadership on climate change mitigation, resilience and 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We our move to a low carbon future and safe climate, state and local governments must act and co-operate.

This motion and the proposed state government VRET are the kinds of

actions required.

Thank you for acting in everyone's best interests.

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Melbourne is well placed to take advantage of investment and jobs in this sector due to the VRET. We need to ensure the VRET is passed through Parliament to position Melbourne (and Victoria) as a key regional player in this growing and critical market.

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I'd like to express my strong support for any councillor who displays the common sense to support Australia's RET. This is an incredibly important first step to ensuring a brighter future for our children, both economically and environmentally, and is the number one priority for a safe and secure community in years to come.

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Tuesday 30 May 2017

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City of Melbourne support for VRET

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The climate emergency which humankind has reared and now must deal with is not simply the responsibility of a single level of government. The 10am on the day of the scheduled meeting. We three levels of government must all take action and each must support the other. This motion is one small way in which this can occur. I commend the motion.

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As a former resident of the City I write to urge Councillors to support this motion.

The number of Councils in Victoria supporting the Renewable Energy Target is large and growing fast due to the interest and encouragement of ratepayers.

The inevitable decline in fossil fuel generated energy due to ageing infrastructure will cause great problems in Victoria unless the establishment of all forms of alternative generation are pursued with great vigour.

The adoption of this motion will give encouragement to the many ratepayers (in Melbourne and elsewhere) who are researching their options in establishing their own energy sources for both ethical and economic reasons. I commend the motion to you.

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Agenda item title: 7.2. Notice of Motion, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood: City

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29 May, 2017

City of Melbourne

Level 2, Melbourne Town Hall

Melbourne 3000

Online submission

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

## RE: Tobacco Free Investments

I write on behalf of the Australian Council on Smoking and Health (ACOSH). ACOSH is an independent coalition that represents a further 43 prominent West Australian organisations with a shared concern about smoking and its harmful consequences.

We are writing to you about the important issue of tobacco free investments that will be discussed at your Council meeting on May 30, 2017.

You may be aware that there is growing action among major governmental and other groups to move out of investment in tobacco companies. In Western Australia, the state government super fund GESB ended its \$52m investment in tobacco companies after a policy review in May 2013, following decisions from the Future Fund and similar funds in other jurisdictions.

We would like to commend the City of Melbourne for taking leadership to consider divesting its funds from the tobacco industry. This is a terrific initiative that establishes a valuable precedent for Australian Local Governments to implement tobacco free investments.

Currently, ACOSH is implementing a strategy to advocate for funds from Local Governments in Western Australia to become tobacco free. Considering that Local Governments are required to develop and implement a Public Health Plan, ACOSH considers this a unique opportunity to incorporate tobacco control measures at the local level, including the implementation of tobacco free portfolios.

As you will be aware, tobacco is still the largest preventable cause of death and disease, responsible globally for more than six million deaths each year. Two thirds of Australian smokers will die prematurely because they smoked, and smoking will cause the deaths of 1.8 million Australian smokers now alive.

The major international tobacco companies hold a justified position as the world's least reputable industry. These companies have done and continue to do their best to oppose and undermine the work of governments and health agencies, and are promoting smoking ruthlessly around the world, and particularly in developing countries.

Australian Governments are obliged to pay the massive costs of health and medical treatments for diseases caused by smoking. The Australian public pays, both by and through their Governments, and personally, for the death and disease caused by tobacco companies.

We are aware that investment in tobacco was historically a "good" investment in that it typically resulted in financial gains. The underlying premise for a positive financial return is obvious: tobacco companies do not pay for the damages caused by the use of the product they aggressively produce, market and sell at a vast profit. In fact, as was illustrated by litigation leading to the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement and the associated discovery disclosures, the tobacco industry has a long history of misleading and deceptive conduct in the marketing and sale of its products.

Governments and fund managers have fiduciary responsibilities that should be guided by 'Principles of Responsible Investment' – including the integration of environmental, social and corporate governance principles. Using these principles to inform investment does not in any way erode financial responsibilities: Grouped together, "ethical" funds have been reported as outperforming their mainstream counterparts.

We would be happy to provide further information to the City of Melbourne if this is required. We hope that the City of Melbourne will follow the example of the many other major governmental and other organisations that have taken this important decision.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

**Maurice Swanson** 

President

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I would like to provide my strong support to Deputy Lord Mayor Arron Wood for his notice of motion to divest from tobacco. When used as intended, tobacco will have contributed to the early death of two out of three smokers. Financial support of the tobacco industry stands in sharp contrast to global tobacco control efforts and is effectively contributing to the number one cause of preventable death in Australia. Investment in tobacco companies implies endorsement of the product itself and the industry as a whole. Many businesses across the globe are reconsidering this association, including nearly half of all pension funds in Australia. I join the Deputy Lord Mayor in urging Vision Super to formally divest from tobacco.

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We refer to item 7.2 on the agenda for meeting number 9 of the Melbourne City Council (Notice of Motion, Deputy Lord Mayor, Arron Wood: City of Melbourne Tobacco Investments).

Quit Victoria would like to express its support for the motion. The proposal that the Council divest from the tobacco industry represents an important step towards ensuring that Victoria's tobacco control efforts are protected from the commercial and other vested interests of the industry.

Similarly, the introduction of state legislation formally banning political parties from accepting donations from the tobacco industry is consistent with Australia's obligations under Article 5.3 of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.

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