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DENMARK CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVING

Petition

HON SALLY TALBOT (South West) [3.04 pm]: I present a petition containing 395 signatures, couched in the following terms —

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

The Centre for Sustainable Living (CSL) has received notice from the Denmark High School to vacate and close by 30 June 2012. We the undersigned residents of Western Australia are opposed to the closure of the CSL. We believe that the CSL is an essential educational facility that caters to a broad spectrum of our community and provides valuable environmental, social and economic benefits to the region. It has taken a decade of work and over \$1,000,000 investment in site facilities plus significant additional education program funding to develop the CSL as it is today. The CSL represents Denmark's vision for an interactive, engaged and sustainable community. It is irreplaceable and should not close.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council to ensure that the community value of the CSL is taken into consideration and that all parties to this decision enter into negotiations to seek a solution that meets the needs of the school and our community. And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[See paper 4312.]