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October 14th 2003

The Hon. B. House MLC
Chair, Cemetery Board Merger Enquiry
The Legislative Council Standing Committee on Public Administration and Finance
Parliament House
Perth
WA 6000

Dear Mr House,

RE Enquiry into Merger of Fremantle Cemetery Board with The Metropolitan Cemetery Board

I have just been made aware that the public has until October 16th to comment on this merger to your enquiry.

I therefore attach a copy of my letter to the Minister on this subject. I would be happy to provide any further information if required.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lavinia de Sarigny'.

Lavinia de Sarigny

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May 30th 2003

The Hon. T.G. Stephens BA MLC
Minister for Local Government,
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WA 6005

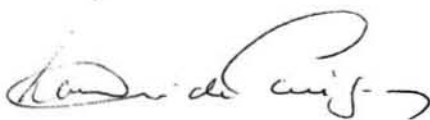
Dear Minister,

I was very disappointed in the decision your government to merge the Fremantle Cemetery Board with the Metropolitan Cemeteries Board.

While the policy of the reduction of the number of statutory boards has much to commend it, such a desirable outcome might be better achieved by the abolition of those boards which no longer serve a useful purpose, rather than merging the existing boards so that "one size fits all".

My own experience of both the Metropolitan and Fremantle institutions has been the contrast of the unhelpful and unsympathetic staff of the Metropolitan and the friendly and very helpful staff at Fremantle.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Lavinia de Sarigny', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Lavinia de Sarigny

Cc Hon. J.A. McGinty
Member for Fremantle