

#DecrimQLD Respect Inc. 28 Mein Street Spring Hill QLD 4000 Kerrin Bradfield Queensland President Society of Australian Sexologists Ltd.

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To whom it may concern,

As Queensland President of the Society of Australian Sexologists Ltd, I am pleased to be able to write this letter in support of the goals of DecriminQLD.

The values of the Society of Australian Sexologists Ltd align with the World Association of Sexual Health's Declaration of Sexual Rights and the United Nations' Declaration of Human Rights supporting individual's rights to freedom and protection. Many of the rights in these charters are seriously violated under the current model of criminalising sex workers.

Decriminalising sex work in Queensland is a necessary and important step in improving employment conditions, worker safety, and the agency of workers in reporting perpetrators of violence. Adopting a model that promotes the rights of the worker also allows for the successful implementation of public health strategies, improving sexual health as well as mental and emotional wellbeing through the reduction of stigma and social exclusion.

Please consider the Queensland Branch of the Society of Australian Sexologists Ltd as willing partners in any discussions and advocacy actions that promote the decriminalisation of sex work in Queensland and sexual rights as fundamental to wellbeing.

We look forward to offering continued support and developing our collaboration.

Sincerely,

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