



Petition

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Title	AMALGAMATION OF DUNDEE AND MARRAKAI INTO A NEW SHIRE
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Presented by	MEMBER FOR GOYDER (PURICK)
Referred to	Local Government (M McCarthy)
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TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WE THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTFULLY SHOWETH that we are strongly opposed to forced amalgamation of the areas of Dundee and Marrakai into a new shire or council or to be forced to be part of the Litchfield Council. The residents strongly believe that the current process underway to force residents into a shire or council is without benefits and the areas of Dundee and Marrakai wish to remain as unincorporated areas.

YOUR PETITIONERS THEREFORE HUMBLY PRAY that the Northern Territory Government does not proceed with this forced amalgamation and leaves the areas of Dundee and Marrakai as unincorporated areas as that is the wish of the residents in the two areas.

AND YOUR PETITIONERS, AS IN DUTY BOUND, WELL EVER PRAY

Response

Response (Pursuant to Standing Order 100A)

The Northern Territory Government is committed to hearing community views in relation to any proposals for change to local government boundaries, including any proposals in relation to the currently unincorporated areas of the Top End.

The Government acknowledges the views of residents in Dundee and Marrakai as expressed in this petition.

The Government has yet to receive the final report of work being done by the Coomalie Community Government Council canvassing options for inclusion of currently unincorporated areas of the Top End into a local government area.

The recommendations of the final report will be carefully considered by the Northern Territory Government, with a particular focus on the views of affected citizens.

