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Greyhound Racing Legislation Amendments (Phasing Out Reform) Bill 2025 Inquiry
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Dear Members of the Inquiry,

I am writing to express my full support for the Greyhound Racing Legislation Amendments (Phasing Out Reform) Bill 2025, and to urge that the planned phase-out of greyhound racing in Tasmania proceed without delay.

This Bill represents a necessary and compassionate step toward ending an industry that has caused avoidable suffering, injury, and death to countless greyhounds. Greyhound racing is inherently dangerous, and no level of reform can adequately eliminate the risks posed to these animals.

The proposed legislation ensures a timely, structured, and responsible transition away from greyhound racing, balancing animal welfare with an orderly industry wind-down. Maintaining a clear and firm timeline is essential to prevent unnecessary prolongation of harm.

Across Australia, there is a growing movement to end greyhound racing, reflecting a broader shift in community values toward stronger animal welfare protections and more ethical forms of entertainment. Tasmania now has an opportunity to be a leader in this national transition.

Community sentiment strongly supports this direction. A 2025 EMRS survey found that 74% of Tasmanian respondents are in favour of banning greyhound racing. This demonstrates a strong public mandate to end the practice and align Tasmania's laws with contemporary ethical standards.

In addition to the animal welfare concerns, I have personal experience of the harm associated with gambling on greyhound racing. Witnessing the impact of gambling addiction connected to this industry further strengthens my conviction that this practice should come to an end, for the wellbeing of both animals and people.

It is imperative that the legislated timeframe to end greyhound racing by mid-2029 is upheld in full. Any delay risks extending animal suffering and undermining both public trust and the intent of this reform.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this submission and for your commitment to animal welfare and responsible legislative action.

Sincerely,

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