

TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This petition of certain citizens of Australia

draws to the attention of the House that we, the undersigned, object to the removal of all horses from the Malabar Headland.

That we object to the removal of all horses and cessation of horse riding activities from the Malabar Headland which has, for over 100 years, been a feature of the Malabar Headland, and plays an important role in the local community.

We therefore ask the House to grant a parcel of land to be used for the stabling, riding and maintenance of horses, and to provide horse riding bridle paths within designated open public space allotment on Malabar Headland, so that the equestrian community of both children and adults based in the south eastern suburbs, and the wider Sydney area, can continue to pursue equine sports and recreational activities. The allotted equestrian area will not infringe on sites with *heritage and Aboriginal significance, or on the recently designated National Park areas, and shall be relocated to the area previously used as a tip and currently used as a rifle range.*

This is a matter of urgency, as all Malabar Headland users and tenants, including horse owners and riders, have been given a notice to vacate by 31st October 2011.