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

This petition of the Leeton Shire Community draws to the attention of the House that the residents of the Leeton Shire are in need of an additional pharmacy to service their community. Both pharmacies in Leeton were recently purchased by the same owners. Despite the fact that both pharmacies have been kept open and are trading separately, the community of Leeton are concerned that there is not enough effective competition in the pharmacy market in the town of Leeton.

We therefore ask the House to call upon the Minister for Health and Ageing to exercise Ministerial Discretion so as to provide an additional Section 90 approval number to the town of Leeton so that another pharmacy may be opened.