PETITION TO PREVENT CUTS TO THE STAFFING LEVEL AT MURWILLUMBAH HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARMENT

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of New South Wales.

The Petition of citizens of New South Wales, particularly residents of Murwillumbah and Tweed Valley in the **Electorate of Lismore.**

Brings to the attention of the House the proposal of the Northern NSW Local Health District to cut 3.08 full-time equivalent nurses from the Murwillumbah District Hospital Emergency Department, despite the New South **Wales Government's promise to deliver more nurses and midwives.**

In February 2019, during the NSW State Election, the NSW Government promised to deliver 284 nurses and midwives, 32 doctors, 38 allied health staff and 50 hospital support workers across the Northern NSW Local Health District.

The Murwillumbah District Hospital is highly ranked in its clinical operations and second in the state for patient satisfaction. Its Emergency Depat1ment staffing formula is a model that provides patient and nurse safety. Cuts to its nursing staff could compromise this safety.

The undersigned petitioners therefore ask the Legislative Assembly to bring this proposed cut to the attention of the Government, ask them to have these proposed cuts stopped and for the NSW Government to honour its **election promise.**

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