

# SUPPORT A VOICE ENSHRINED IN THE CONSTITUTION

## MAKE A SUBMISSION

THE GOVERNMENT IS RUNNING A CO-DESIGN PROCESS TO DECIDE WHAT A VOICE TO PARLIAMENT WILL LOOK LIKE. IT IS CURRENTLY IN A PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS THAT IS OPEN FOR EVERYONE TO CONTRIBUTE.

### WE NEED YOUR HELP RIGHT NOW!

From the Heart is a campaign guided by the Uluru Statement from the Heart which calls for a Voice enshrined in the Australian Constitution. This Co-Design Process is a significant opportunity to press our case for an enshrined Voice – we must act now!

We are calling on all who are inspired by the Uluru Statement to make a submission in support of our key positions.

**Submissions must be made by 31 March 2021.**

Your submission will be most effective if you:

- Support our three key positions
- Use your own words to make your submission – personalised submissions have much more impact than cutting and pasting our words
- In the spirit of co-design, try to make your points as constructively as possible – our goal is to achieve the best possible outcome through this process.
- Focus on the Voice – we know there is significant support for other issues, however, at this point, we must focus our efforts on the Voice

Your submission does not have to be a long-winded document – it can be as short as three sentences. The most important thing is that your voice is heard!

Please pass on this information and site to your local communities and networks once you have made a submission! The more people that make submissions, the greater chance of change!

**Find out more at: <https://fromtheheart.com.au/make-a-submission/>**

### OUR KEY SUBMISSION POINTS:

1. The government must **honour its election commitment** to a referendum once a model for the **Voice has been settled**;
2. Enabling legislation for the Voice must be **passed after a referendum** has been held in the **next term of Parliament**; and
3. The membership model for the National Voice must ensure **previously unheard** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have the **same chance** of being selected as established leadership figures.

### HOW TO MAKE YOUR OWN SUBMISSION:

1. Read From the Heart's Submission and Summary document as background material for writing your own submission.
2. Draft your own submission to the Co-Design Interim Report.
3. Visit the Co-Design Submission Portal at [haveyoursay.voice.niaa.gov.au/submissions](https://haveyoursay.voice.niaa.gov.au/submissions)
4. Fill out your contact details and choose how you wish to have your submission published.
5. Upload your submission either in the 'Main Submission' section or copy and paste your submission into the portal.