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**PETITION IN RELATION TO STAFFING OF SCHOOL LIBRARIES**

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We the undersigned are opposed to the downward trend of qualified staff in school libraries.

Currently there are under 40 full time equivalent qualified teacher librarians in over 800 Department of Education WA schools.

We therefore ask the Legislative Council to provide guaranteed equitable access to a dynamic, well-resourced library including access to a qualified teacher librarian **AND** a library technician or library officer. Extensive research shows this will result in:

- Improved student achievement.
- Critical research skills.
- The love of reading, enhancing literacy skills.
- Access to quality curated resources.

And you petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

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