

**LETTER OF SUBMISSION**

**My name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I am in support of the proposed Sunshine Hospice development at 7-15 Illuka Street, Buderim Queensland 4556, because:**

- 70% of Australians say they would prefer to die at home. The reality is only 14% of people are able to do so. This means most people will die in an acute hospital or aged care facility. Hospices provide 24/7 professional nursing care at end-of-life in a home-like environment.
- Hospice care is free of charge.
- There are not enough hospice beds on the Sunshine Coast to meet current demand, which is growing with our ageing population. 80% of Australians who die are 65+.
- Sunshine Hospice will benefit the Sunshine Coast community by offering compassionate, end of life care for those who are palliative or in their last days of life.
- It will offer respite and comfort to carers who are generally stressed and exhausted, emotionally and mentally drained by having to care for a terminally ill loved one.
- The onsite family accommodation will allow loved ones to stay close and connected during a difficult time.
- Sunshine Hospice will also care for terminally ill children and provide support for their families.
- Sunshine Hospice is not a hospital, but rather a peaceful home away from home. It will be a quiet place: architecturally designed and surrounded by natural bushland and landscaped areas.

Signature:

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Date:

**You are encouraged to provide your own comments here or overleaf.**

