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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to ask that the First Nations heritage of Queensland be protected by implementing the following measures.

1. Amend the definition of 'Aboriginal party' so that Traditional Owners with cultural connection to Country are always involved in consultation and negotiation processes, regardless of their status as a native title party.
2. Create greater enforcement powers for First Nations, so that they aren't reliant on the State to protect their cultural heritage if it is in imminent danger of harm or destruction.
3. Establish an independent First Nations-led decision-making body that is responsible for dispute resolution and mediation, and for assessing who the right people to speak for Country are.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Yours sincerely,

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