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Agenda Item 6.5 Draft Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy 2030

### **Submission to Future Melbourne Committee**

We are writing in support of *Agenda Item 6.5 Draft Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy 2030*. Taking action and firm steps towards reducing and recovering waste is important for all City of Melbourne residents.

We are very happy to see Council take this initiative. There is no doubt anymore of the detrimental impact our waste output and our excessive use of virgin resources are having on our planet, our quality of life, and even our survival. It is of vital importance to establish regulations and an organized behavioral shift by both businesses and citizens of our great city, so that we can do our part in reducing waste and climate change impact.

How we reduce and handle our waste should not be a voluntary action by each individual business and citizen, hoping that everyone will eventually change their practices out of good conscience. It should be an organized effort spearheaded by our lawmakers and regulators if we are to see the change we need in time to counteract the negative effects and have a closed loop system in place that keeps Melbourne the most liveable city in the world.

In closing, we'd like to acknowledge the good work done in regards to this plan. We would like to see the plan's recommended actions implemented urgently and its goals reached much earlier than 2030. Our city needs it. We look forward to the public consultation and with providing useful input to the council on behalf of Southbank residents, where we can reduce waste output and use of resources by our densely populated suburb.

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