

**Submission to: Australian Government Productivity Commission**  
**(Response to: Future Foundations for Giving – Draft report) – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

To whom it may concern,

Please consider the following as an official submission from the Nanango Christian Faith Centre Inc.

For the sake of context, we are a Protestant, Reformed, Christian Church, holding to the “Protestant Reformed Religion Established by Law” (*Coronation Oath Act 1688*), based on the Authorised (King James) Bible as our sole and unchanging rule of faith and practice, and in all things, “humbly relying on the blessing of Almighty God” (*Commonwealth of Australia Constitution*), as did the founding fathers of this nation.

**Firstly, we wish to address the opening statement of your *Draft Report*, which also appears in the correspondence of A.C.N.C.:**

*“The Productivity Commission acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia and their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to their Cultures, Country and Elders past and present.”*

We believe it is infinitely more appropriate, less divisive, and more patriotic (as we ought to expect), considering you represent the ‘*Australian Government*’ (which would be more properly stated as *The Commonwealth of Australia*), that your opening statement of acknowledgment should make reference to:

- Firstly “Almighty God”, Who gave us (all the people of the Commonwealth) the land, and provides daily every blessing from above, including all aspects of health, prosperity, and charity – we dare not put any race of people above Almighty God, as you appear to have done here by omission;
- Secondly, the *Commonwealth of Australia Constitution 1901*, which is the founding document of this nation and its government, to which both government and citizens in general are bound, since we are not governed by so-called *International Law*, or *Aboriginal Law or Culture*, or by the fictitious *Multiculturalism* being promoted ad nauseam, but by the established Commonwealth Constitution;
- Thirdly, the founding fathers of this Constitution and nation, and their faith in “Almighty God” (Jesus Christ) in doing so; and,
- Fourthly, the *Authorised King James Bible*, the very inspired and preserved Words of Almighty God, which is so foundational to this nation, that reference to it is required by law, to this day, in all official oaths within the land and Commonwealth.

**Secondly, we wish to address the term ‘charity’, a term which has been perverted by modern usage to simply mean ‘giving’ – hence the common proverb, “Cold as charity”:**

We would advise that the word ‘charity’ is a Bible word for the highest form of pure ‘love’, expressed in kindness, unselfishness, and benevolence. Modern bible ‘versions’ have generally translated it blandly as ‘love’, obscuring its pure, precious, and proper godly meaning. By contrast, today, it is all too common for people and organisations to publicly boast about giving, and (falsely) call this ‘charity.’ We find this objectionable, and we clearly speak for God when we say so (*Matthew 6:2, in the Words of Jesus Christ*, “When thou doest *thine* alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men.”)

**Thirdly, we believe that if the above points were taken to heart by all, and especially by government, true charity would be more likely to prevail, even without all the complicated regulation.** Over-regulation, complication, and unnecessary burden on society, are caused by our departure from the very standards mentioned above, which were the undergirding of all things in this nation, just a few decades ago.

Sincerely in the service of Christ, Crown, Constitution, and Commonwealth,

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