To whom it may concern,

RE: PROUCTIVITY COMMISSION ‘FUTURE FOUNDATIONS FOR GIVING’ DRAFT REPORT

The simple but concerning reason for penning this note is the recommendations for deductable gift recipient (DRG) status to be scrapped.

The impact this would have on well-run non-government organisations, who for years have relied on this Government funding, would be untold.

There is a genuine ‘heart’ and unselfish commitment from so many in our communities to add their support to the running of many of these organisations.

As a parent and as a household already experiencing ‘cost-of-living’ pressures, the thought of having to try and make up a possible ‘shortfall’ in funding, is very daunting.

The obvious increase in school fees, should the private school we use lose their DRG status, would cause huge pressures on many many families.

As an Australia citizen and one that is respectful of Government and the laws that govern the land, I would plead for my concerns to be considered.

There is a great need and responsibility in any Country to provide the best education and learning environment for our youth. Australia has shone in their obligation to ‘be there’ for their people.

We can only trust this fundamental funding continues.

Yours Sincerely,

Pierre Buchner