Hon Paul Mercurio MP

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Dear Hon Mr Mercurio MP,

I am writing on behalf of school children in The Casey Shire who care about threatened species and The Westernport Woodlands in The South Gippsland and Bass Coast Shires. Casey and Cardinia Shires have been one of the fastest growing areas of Australia and deserve a New National Park nearby.

Though many of these children come from overseas, and have only started venturing into the bush and learning about bandicoots and goannas, they are learning quickly and will proudly take their parents for BBQs and walks in these Woodlands - a great afternoon out for people without back gardens.

Please find their banners enclosed.

Please create a great legacy: conserve these woodlands and move sand-mining to degraded farmland nearby.

Healthy Parks, Healthy People

Yours sincerely,

Karri Giles

Secretary

Westernport and Peninsula Protection Council Inc.