

Position Paper – The Voice to Parliament

The Queensland Synod calls for bipartisan and broad support of the priorities identified in the 'Uluru Statement from the Heart' which includes constitutional recognition of a Voice to Parliament.

We are aware that we are at a time of profound social change and that individuals in our congregations and communities may see things quite differently to each other. There may sometimes seem to be greater safety in making no comment in the face of differences of perspective, but we believe that the "Uniting Church, as an institution within the nation, must constantly stress the universal values which must find expression in national policies if humanity is to survive." (Statement to the Nation)

The Uniting Church covenant relationship with First Peoples is at the heart of our church, and we will listen and walk together. We stand as a family in Christ, with First Nations peoples across the state and align with Queensland Synod's discernment and decisions over many decades, in support of the 2023 referendum for a constitutionally enshrined Voice to Parliament.