PETITION AGAINST BARNESON BOULEVARD - THE ROAD TO NOWHERE

We the undersigned are opposed to the proposed construction of Barneson Boulevard.

With funding from the Australian Government, Darwin City Council and the NT Government are planning to spend $39.5 million of taxpayer dollars to build a new four-lane arterial road into Darwin CBD. The road will cross over McMinn Street, cut straight through the middle of the Frog Hollow arts precinct and stop at a traffic light T-intersection at Cavenagh Street (outside Woolworths) blocking Wood Street completely. No parking plan is evident to deal with the diversion of traffic into the centre of the city.

For residents who live in the heart of the CBD the proposed road will mean more cars, more diesel fumes and more parking issues. This is despite public opinion on the Darwin City Master Plan clearly demanding reduced reliance on cars and improved public transport (and recently, no more traffic lights!). For motorists driving in and out of the CBD, Barneson Boulevard WILL NOT solve traffic congestion but WORSEN IT and Impair traffic flow particularly for people using Tiger Brennan Drive.

We want a clean live-able, walking/cycling, tropical city. Please stop Barneson Boulevard.