Council 24 August 2020

Item 11.5

Notices of Motion

Opposition to the Education Legislation Amendment (Parental Rights) Bill 2020

By Councillor Thalis

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council note:
 - (i) NSW One Nation Leader Mark Latham MLC introduced the Education Legislation Amendment (Parental Rights) Bill 2020 into the Legislative Council;
 - (ii) the bill aims to amend the Education Act 1990;
 - (iii) the bill prohibits the teaching of gender diversity and the acknowledgement of trans and gender-diverse students and their families;
 - (iv) the bill seeks to strip professional accreditation from any teachers and school staff breaking such a law;
 - (v) the bill requires schools to present discredited counter narratives when teaching classes like science or history; and
 - (vi) a number of organisations have signed a joint public statement opposing the bill;
- (B) Council oppose the harmful Education Legislation Amendment (Parental Rights) Bill 2020:
- (C) Council endorse the joint public statement opposing the Education Legislation Amendment (Parental Rights) Bill 2020; and
- (D) the Lord Mayor be requested to write to the NSW Premier, Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning and the Shadow Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning informing them of this Council's opposition to the bill.

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