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To: City of Greater Geraldton <council@cgg.wa.gov.au>

Subject: Relief/Concessions Council Rates

Dear Councillors,

I am writing to ask a question that was posed at our last committee meeting in relation to rates due for our property at 839 Chapman Road, Glenfield.

Here are our details:

Group Name: Macedonian Society of Geraldton Inc

Aim of Group: To promote the customs and involvement of Macedonian people in

the Geraldton community and to encourage contributions by our members in the wider Geraldton community and to encourage involvement by the Geraldton community with Macedonian events,

customs and history.

Members: 30

We are an incorporated body and are a not for profit organisation. We have land and a hall located at 839 Chapman Road, Glenfield that was donated to us by a private donor. For several years the council was donating back the council rates for this property to our Society, this discontinued around 8-9 years ago. We are allowing community groups to use our facilities free of charge as our aim is to encourage our involvement with the community. However due to a smaller population base of Macedonians in Geraldton and rising costs we are struggling to cover our costs including our council rates.

We are enquiring about whether our group can qualify for a concession for our rates. Especially in light of the use of our facilities free of charge by groups such as Sunset Beach Community Group among others.

Could you please advise via return email if this is at all possible.

Kind regards

George Nobilo Treasurer Macedonian Society of Geraldton Inc