# EQUALITY HARMONY HUMAN RIGHTS MULTICULTURALISM RECONCILIATION



www.unityparty.org

#### Who are we?

UNITY is a new political party formed in August 1998 just before the last federal election by ordinary Australians seeking to protect and maintain our multicultural society the attacks against it over the last few years. We want to preserve Australia as a nation where diversity is recognised and genuinely respected. Our purpose is to ensure that Australia continues to move towards the ideal of a society where people of every race, culture and religion have a mutual respect for each other and live in harmony. We support a reasonable immigration program where the family component is recognised as an important part.

The name UNITY was chosen to recognise that Australia was founded on the efforts of migrants

from all over the world. It also acknowledges the debt we owe to Indigenous Australians. Only through Unity will we be able to protect our achievements and build on them for a better future.

UNITY is opposed to all policies which discriminate on the basis of race, culture or creed – whether this is done deliberately or as an indirect consequence of Government and bureaucratic processes. We will help the community to understand the universal principles which unite human beings.

Unity is the only Political party that will give true political representation to all groups in the Australian community including migrant communities and Indigenous people.

### Why we are not just another political party

At the 1998 election UNITY fielded candidates in the majority of House of Representative seats in NSW and Victoria. Branches were formed throughout Australia, representing people from all walks of life. UNITY is a party for city and country dwellers, employers and employees, young and old, rich and poor. It is a party for migrants, indigenous people and Australians with families that have lived here for generations.

UNITY believes that our ethnic and cultural diversity enriches our society. It is a matter of great pride to us. We treasure this diversity as part of our national heritage and we will fight to preserve it.

## **UNITY** IS STRENGTH

UNITY draws support from a wide cross-section of the Australian community. Our political system has for too long been dominated by parties that claim to represent us all, while cynically seeking to exploit our differences. Recent events demonstrate all too clearly that we cannot afford to allow this divisive behaviour to continue.

UNITY is inclusive. We have no hidden agenda. We are not a party of envy and hate. UNITY is a party for all Australians committed to multiculturalism, equality and harmony.

UNITY will seek to pressure government to provided resources to support our multicultural heritage. These resources will include programs designed to maintain language, cultural traditions and ethnic specific welfare/aged care services.

UNITY has developed a comprehensive platform of policies in the areas of multiculturalism, indigenous affairs, immigration, refugees, human rights for disadvantaged groups and generally social justice for all Australians. Full details of this platform can be found at www.unityparty.org



## WHY THE UNITY PARTY?

### ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT:

- the threats to our multicultural society?
- **the rise of racism in Australia?**
- the cuts to our immigration programs?
- the devastation of the family reunion program?
- **→** Australia's anti-humanitarian refugee program?
- discrimination in the approval of visitors visas?
- reductions to services for migrants and refugees?
- the collapse of Reconciliation, and the failure of the government to apologise to the 'stolen generations'.

- draconian treatment of asylum seekers.
- the government's atrocious attitude to Asia.
- the collapse of the push for an Australian republic.
- the Howard Government's renunciation of international human rights processes and conventions.

AND MANY OTHER RELATED ISSUES?

Only the UNITY Party is determined to confront these issues in Australian politics.

UNITY is the only Party genuinely dedicated to ending discrimination based on race, culture and/or religion in Australia.

#### UNITY PARTY, VICTORIAN BRANCH

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the goals of Unity, but do not wish to become a member of the
Unity Party at this stage.)

[ ] I WISH TO BECOME A MEMBER OF UNITY, and pledge to abide by the Constitution of the Party.

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