



## *Principles of Passionately Moderate*

*An alliance of people who claim the moderate and reasoned ground in standing against political, social and religious extremism*

*A standard for people who value and wish to protect the positive political cultural and spiritual values of all Australians*

*Being either progressive conservatives, or conservative progressives, people who wish to advance Australia by discerning and preserving the best of the past for the future, while leaving the worst of the past behind.*

### **Passionately Moderates:**

- **Will support Principled Government based on Good Policy for the Common-Wealth** of all before the attainment or retention of power.
- **Hold a Commitment to the 'Two Party System'**. Both the Liberal and the Labor parties (the left and right legs of Australian political life) are deeply rooted in the culture of the Australian People; therefore both parties need to be healthy and vibrant in order for Australian democracy to thrive. Both parties need to reform their structures, clearly state their political ideals, 'Sing the Australian Song' of *Fairness, Decency and Justice for all*, as expressed from their differing perspectives, and actively seek to engage the Australian people in the political process.
- **Will restore the State Legislative Council and the Federal Senate to be Houses of Review rather than Houses of Opposition.**
- **Will expect political parties who seek a mandate to Govern** to have clearly stated policies issued at least eight weeks before a general election, with any changes perceived as necessary during the election campaign stated at least two weeks prior to the election.

- **Will expect Governments to honour pre-election undertakings and promises.**
- **Will not oppose a clear mandate of the people**, however will reserve the responsibility to delay legislation in order to question, clarify, raise awareness, educate, explore options and modify as seems appropriate for the purposes of maintaining stable and effective government.
- **Will not seek election to the State Legislative Assembly or the Federal House of Representatives.**
- **Will expect the public service to be accountable to the parliament through the relevant Minister**, and conduct itself in a genuinely transparent manner.
- **Will expect that individuals** who operate on behalf of the public service will be **personally accountable** for their actions in any instance of corporate corruption, maladministration or the dissemination of misinformation.
- **Will protect, strengthen and enhance the array of our 'Westminster System' checks and balances on power.** Protect and enhance the ordered and transparent processes of government, and ensure access to, and the protection of the law for all people.

*Passionately Moderate:*

*Advancing Australia in Fairness*

*And with Decency and Justice for All*

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