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The Hon Tony Kelly MLC
Minister for Planning
Level 34 Governor Macquarie Tower
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Dear Minister

Jones Bay Wharf Marina Expansion

I write to raise constituents' concerns about the proposed expansion to the marina at Jones Bay Wharf in Pyrmont to increase marina facilities, which currently accommodate 40 commercial vessels, in order to accommodate 73 vessels.

A large number of residents and business operators have contacted me about this proposal, and are particularly concerned about potential view, noise and traffic impacts.

Visual Amenity

Increasing the number of vessels able to berth at the Jones Bay marina to 73 will block views to and from Sydney Harbour. I share constituents' concern about the impact on amenity in public parks, homes and businesses along the wharf. Public harbour views are vital assets to Pyrmont residents who live in densely populated areas with little or no private open space.

Noise

The proposal would increase the level and frequency of evening operations at the marina, which could create noise impacts for local residents and businesses. Pyrmont residents are already subject to inner city noise including from traffic congestion and late trading at the Star City Casino.

Traffic

Residents are very concerned that the development proposal would raise on-site staff levels by 70 per cent and increase local traffic congestion. The Traffic Impact Study reports that the marina would result in 15 to 20 "net" additional vehicles and measures need to be taken to ensure additional and existing staff use public transport, walk or cycle to work.

Residents regularly raise concerns about noise and the lack of late night transport to carry visitors out of this precinct at the quarterly City Central policing meetings.

There is strong community concern about this proposal and I ask that you protect residential amenity and prevent noise and traffic congestion in assessing this DA.

Yours sincerely

Clover Moore
Member for Sydney