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MY NAME IS ADELAIDE BRACEWELL-STOKES AND I AM A 13 YEAR OLD STUDENT AT SUNNYSIDE ENVIRONMENTAL SCHOOL. I'M WRITING IN SUPPORT OF LC19 AND BOLD CLIMATE ACTION.

GLOBAL WARMING IS A SERIOUS EMERGENCY. 2019 WAS THE SECOND HOTTEST YEAR IN HUMAN HISTORY. FORESTS ARE BURNING, FISH ARE DYING, HAVING MAJOR IMPACTS ON OUR ECOSYSTEMS AND WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF WATER. AND NONE OF THIS WILL BE SOLVED BY SITTING BY AND WATCHING IT ALL HAPPENING, SAYING IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO STOP. IT IS POSSIBLE. BUT NOT WITHOUT BOLD ACTIONS.

IF WE CONTINUE ON THE PATH WE'RE ON, I WILL BE 24 YEARS OLD, BARELY AN ADULT, WHEN MY CLIMATE FATE WILL BE SEALED. I WILL BE 44 WHEN THE EFFECTS BECOME CATASTROPHIC.

THIS IS A REAL THING, AND IT WILL IMPACT AND POSSIBLY DESTROY MY REAL LIFE AND THE LIVES OF OTHERS. AND I WILL DO EVERYTHING IN MY POWER TO STOP THAT FROM HAPPENING. I WANT TO LIVE TO SEE THE AUSTRALIAN BUSH AND THE CORAL REEFS. I WANT TO BE ABLE TO BREATHE THE AIR OF OUR FUTURE EARTH AND I WANT MY DESCENDANTS TO BE SAFE. I WANT TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE, AND THE ACTIONS OF PAST GENERATIONS SHOULD NOT BE LEFT TO US YOUNG PEOPLE TO CLEAN UP AFTER. THIS IS UNFAIR, BUT IM NOT GOING TO GIVE UP ON THE HEALTHY FUTURE I WANT AND I HOPE YOU WON'T GIVE UP ON THE FUTURE EITHER.

Sincerely, Adelaide Bracewell