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To whom it may concern

I am writing this letter to address the concerning issue of the enormous increase in insurance premiums on unit blocks in the Far North region.

I am a single professional, owner/occupier of unit in Edge Hill. It is a weekly struggle to come up with the ever increasing costs of local council rates, electricity and now body corporate levies, which have been increased excessively due to the rise in insurances on unit complexes throughout the Far North. In the ever struggling economy of Cairns this is not going to encourage people to stay or want to move here, I know it has me thinking of my future here, my salary is certainly not increasing by 40% to cover these costs so I ask where they think that this money is going to come from.

I am hoping that some sensible outcome can be reached to this dilemma otherwise the region is only going to suffer more and more.

Regards

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