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Hi everyone,

Most of you have probably seen the news stories recently relating to the "Last Drinks" campaign, where Emergency Services workers are calling on the State Government to address the growing levels of violence related to late night alcohol consumption. I've copied a press release below for your information. We are asking as many people as possible who support this cause to visit the website below and sign an on-line petition to help get the point across to the powers that be that the community is sick and tired of this violence. I would ask that you take the time to visit the site and sign the petition to help create a safer night out for everyone. Please feel free to also pass this link on to your various groups.

Regards

Matt

Right now, NSW is suffering from an epidemic of alcohol-related violence.

Emergency service workers - such as police, doctors, nurses and ambos - are being used as punching bags by drunk and violent offenders every weekend.

They are being abused, intimidated, threatened, assaulted and injured - simply for trying to do their jobs.

The current approach of appealing to people's better instincts, and calling for personal responsibility, just isn't working. Proven measures, such as stronger restrictions on licensed premises, are needed.

A coalition of concerned emergency service workers has started a campaign to tackle alcohol-related violence in our community.

The Last Drinks campaign is being supported by the Police Association of NSW, the Australia Medical Association (NSW), the Health Services Union and the NSW Nurses' Association.

You can help us call time on street crime by signing our petition for stronger restrictions on late-night alcohol trading.

Enough is enough. It's time to clamp down on the destructive culture of booze and violence in NSW.

For more information, go to <http://www.lastdrinks.org.au>

Thanks!