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The Honourable William Hodgman  
Premier of Tasmania

The Honourable Bryan Green  
Leader of the Labor Party

Dear Premier and the Leader for the Opposition,

### **Cash for Containers: Support the Scouts by Supporting the Motion**

I'm writing to you today with a very important message about introducing a Container Deposit Scheme in Tasmania.

Your local Scout Groups are an integral part of your community. They work hard to provide the most affordable activities, educational, challenges and adventure for youth aged 6-26. The Scout Groups are primarily responsible for managing their own finances. Their income is derived from fundraising activities, membership fees, grants and sponsorship from the community and government.

Container Deposit Legislation would provide local Scout Groups with a significant opportunity to raise money through collecting unwanted containers that would assist with the purchase of camping, outdoor activity, educational equipment, water craft and running expenses of their Scout Halls.

On average, \$60 million is raised every year by charities and community groups in South Australia from collecting drink containers. The Scouts in South Australia generate a significant income from the operation of 10 recycling depots, a hotel collection service, council collection contracts and trucking operations, as well as servicing most major events in SA, and overall employs more than 100 people.

The Scouts in NSW, Queensland and Western Australia are already rattling their cans as all three State governments have backed a Container Deposit Scheme. Scouts Tasmania is hoping our members can join the chorus.

As a strong supporter of Scouts Tasmania, we are hoping you will show leadership on recycling and make the right decision for Tasmania's environment and community. We ask you to support the Greens' motion and help us join other Australian states in embracing all the benefits Container Deposit Legislation offers our community.

Yours in Scouting,

Michael Hovington  
Chief Commissioner  
Scouts Tasmania

Brendan Kelly  
President  
Scouts Tasmania