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Dear Premier

We are a group of parents and residents from Balmain/Rozelle/Lilyfield who are fed up with and increasingly fearful of our governments' attitude towards climate change. On May 6 we got together for dinner (all 72 of us), to discuss and debate Australia's alarming CO₂ emissions and New South Wales' unfettered development of the coal industry. We talked about how the planet will heat up by as much as 6 degrees in the next few generations, and how our children face an uncertain future. We raged over the terrible consequences of global warming, and the cascade of environmental, social and economic problems which will be unleashed. We asked ourselves why our governments seem not to care. And we concluded that we have lost faith in state and federal powers to act responsibly on this issue.

As a group we are taking steps to reduce our own emissions in our own backyard. And if we can do it, why can't our governments relinquish their predilection for fossil fuels and commit to clean, renewable energy sources? We are proof that the tide is rising in more ways than one, as time - and the next election - may well tell.

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