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## **Invitation**

### **Free Public Forum**

## **Safeguarding WA independence from Canberra in the Asia Century**

### **Hon Christian Porter.**

#### **Endorsed Liberal federal candidate for Pearce**

Mr Porter has been a legal practitioner with Clayton Utz and Office of Public Prosecutions, and lectured in law at the University of WA. He entered State Parliament in 2008 and served as Treasurer, Attorney-General and Corrective Services Minister.

**WHEN** Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 2013

**TIME** 7.00pm for 7:30pm, (sharp)

**WHERE** Royal Perth Yacht Club (River Room),  
Australia 11 Drive, Crawley

#### **KEY ISSUES (To be addressed)**

- Survey Canberra's centralising since the 1920s and WA's pioneering post-1960 drive for greater economic involvement with Asian economies.
- WA in 1980s exports to Asia at \$800 million. Today these stand at \$70 billion.
- Australian east coast population centres have 92 of the 150 House of Representatives seats – NSW, 48; Victoria, 37; Tasmania 5; and the ACT, 2, to Western Australia has 15.
- The five Rudd/Gillard & Gillard/Swan years (2008-13) show how formidable this near two-thirds in that chamber can be with imposition of a tax on Carbon Dioxide (CO<sup>2</sup>) and a mining profits tax plus additional environmental controls.

**Come and bring a friend – ask a question**

**Let Mr Porter know what you want from Canberra**

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