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Climate Change is Cancer of the Earth,

Your home is burning. Your family is in mortal peril. Sparks, ash, and debris are raining down on your children. Our collective home is falling apart. Climate Change is Cancer of the Earth, fed by unsustainable industries, driven at a global scale.

Last Summer's disastrous bushfires cost Australia more than billions of dollars, more than two billion animals' lives have also been lost in the conflagration. Hundreds of homes and businesses through South Australia, Victoria, NSW, and Queensland were destroyed.

But this could have been so different, had the right people been listened to. I find it unfathomable that our Prime Minister Scott Morrison, has the audacity to feel he can ignore the facts in front of him. Instead of helping, he funds fossil fuel industries and defunds a national broadcaster. He kept trucking along as though Jenny and the kids were out of harm's way. Climate Change cancer is all around us and threatens the survival of each and everyone's family.

While all this has been going on, logging has severely damaged Victoria's ecosystems, straight after those same fires. This has destroyed any chance of the remaining native fauna from getting a grip on survival. Can you see the pattern? It has been forming for years, and politicians are elected to notice and fix problems, not to ignore them.

This approaching Summer will once again be a strong, super-hot one. Around Tweeds Heads, the bush is already burning, and it's August. Treatment for this cancer is clearly to follow the renewable industries. Now is the time, even in this pandemic-riddled world, to fund the correct services to allow humans and animals alike, to survive. Defund and close the fossil fuel industries, choose wind, solar, batteries and hydro, for a better future.

Extinction is real.

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