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Chamber Ladies & Gentlemen,

I have been forwarded, via Marine Action Group, Mayor Clarke's email to the various Chambers regarding Tiplers Resort and Mr Bob Jansen's active and welcome support of the Marine Action Group. Please take the time to review the myriad of information on the Tiplers Resort Purchase and Closure contained on the MarineActionGroup web site before listening to the stale, green, anti-drinking, anti-fun fiction that Mayor Clarke and his officers tried most unsuccessfully to spin to the 200 plus very hostile cross section of our Community at his failed PR exercise at Tiplers on 21 December 2009. The audacity of the man to insinuate that Bob Jansen did not properly represent the Chambers in his recent communications! Mayor Clarke definitely did not properly consult with the City ratepayers, Marine and Tourism Industries and (I'm sure) the various Chambers before he embarked on his raid on the City Purse.

My personal interest in this matter as a retired businessman with active connection to our Gold Coast Community since arriving in 1973 stems from a deeply held concern with the performance of this Mayor whom 60% of the Community voted against and his trail of silly ideas (ban Indy; purchase countless pushbikes to rust on our foreshore and instigate the greatest public liability exposures that the City has seen; confuse everyone with mass rapid transport dreams; spend public Parkland Funds(Green Levy) to buy commercial leases and buildings at Tiplers and then destroy them; force his puritanical prohibition beliefs on this City of Tourism, Sunshine and Fun; etc,etc). I can assure you that I have no personal or political motives in this matter above and beyond that mentioned above. I first visited Tiplers in 1973. I have seen my children have many, many fun times through to their adulthood at Tiplers. I've taken countless friends, relations and acquaintances to Tiplers for Island Experience/Food/Music/Refreshing Drinks and Safe Harbour with the various tinnies and now modest bay-cruiser that I have owned over the years. I resent the actions of Mayor Clarke and his bureaucrats and will continue to give whatever support I can to the marine Action group in their commendable endeavours.

Please review the website and get behind us as this fight will go all the way to the next elections. Best wishes, Tom Regan