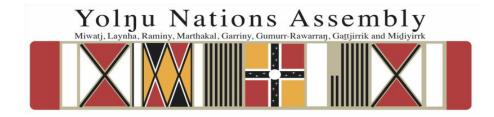
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**Treaty Awareness: Fundraiser Forum** 

# Quest for TREATY: Yingiya's Bid for Parliament



Meet and hear Yingiya Mark Guyula, a Yolnu Elder of Arnhem Land, who has been endorsed by the Yolnu Nations Assembly as an Independent candidate to enter the Northern Territory Parliament.

Yingiya will speak on: "Treaty Now" & Madayin Law

#### **Other speakers**

Prof. Jon Altman Deakin University, Vic, will speak on the deteriorating policy directions in the NT.

Adam Frogley Taungerong man, of Healesville, will update us on Victorian calls to Treaties.

Date: Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 at 2pm – 3.30 pm

Doors Open: 1.45pm

Place: Wesley Uniting Church Upper School Hall

(East side of church – 25 steps to enter room)

Address: 148 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne

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Parking: Limited car parking beside church or 2 hour coin street parking

(If possible, use public transport)

**RSVP:** ASAP or March 11<sup>th</sup> to Pia at <u>info@concernedaustralians.com.au</u> or 0419 541 733

## Yingiya Mark Guyula Treaty Now!

## Independent candidate for Nhulunbuy, Northern Territory

Yingiya is an Indigenous man from the Yolŋu people group, Djambarpuyŋu nation and the Liya- dhalinymirr tribe. He is an indigenous language interpreter and experienced cross-cultural educator, recently working with Charles Darwin University as a senior lecturer in Yolŋu studies. Yingiya is also a highly skilled social organiser and unifier demonstrated in his recent position as an East Arnhem Support Worker with the Northern Regional Council of Congress (the indigenous presbytery of the Uniting Church Northern Synod) and in his role as a Yolŋu Nations Assembly spokesperson. Yingiya first trained in aircraft maintenance and was the first Yolŋu person to get his pilot licence.

Yingiya has the title of Djirrikaymirr-judge amongst his people. This makes him an authority of the Yolŋu traditional system of law, called Madayin. His tribe is also one of a number of groups responsible for oversight of the indigenous central governance institution of Närra' (an equivalent of parliament). This is where Yingiya's passion lies. Madayin law and the Närra' institution has maintained peace, justice, and harmony in Arnhem Land for millennia, yet today ongoing colonialism is overriding and destabilising Yolŋu society. There are bright spots of personal relationship but everyday the gap grows between Yingiya's people and Australia.

"Without a treaty to join the two peoples together, we can't truly work together nor can we build each other up!"

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Listen to Yingiya at <a href="http://www.yingiya.net/english.html">http://www.yingiya.net/english.html</a>

Please share this flyer and invitation in support of Yingiya and the Yolnu Nations Assembly quest. Other forums & details may soon be added to website <a href="http://www.yingiya.net/">http://www.yingiya.net/</a>

<u>Donations</u> would be gratefully received and will help cover the costs of this quest e.g. advertising and printing costs, communications, travel and supplies. Mobile polling of homeland villages need to be conducted by plane, making air charters following the voting booth the pre-dominant expense.

Please remember by law all donations greater than \$199 must be recorded with the name and address of the donor. Therefore if you make a donation please reference the transaction with your first and last name and send an email with your name and address to, campaign manager Kendall Trudgen Kendalltrudgen@gmail.com

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