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Hi,

I completely support the proposal to stop releasing helium balloons at Government functions. It would be even better to ban them outright. There is strong scientific evidence to show these balloons end up in the stomachs of marine life and bird life. We need to protect our marine and bird life, so banning these balloons is a positive step forward.

Here in South Australia we have changed our shopping habits easily and instead of using plastic bags at supermarkets, and all other shops, we carry our own reusable bags. If we really need a plastic bag it usually costs about 10 cents, but most of us just buy another reusable bag. The conversion to this new habit was easy. No-one complained. I would strongly urge your government to bring in the same practice as it does greatly reduce the plastic bag waste.

Thank you,
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