

Minister for Treaty Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister for Communities and Minister for the Arts

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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House Cnr Alice and George Streets BRISBANE QLD 4000 TableOffice@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for providing a copy of the petition number 3881-23 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 10 October 2023 from Ms Louise De Busch regarding the Campfire Healing Community Centre.

On 27 October 2023, Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts (the department), South East Queensland regional officers met with Ms De Busch, Director, Campfire Healing Indigenous Corporation to discuss the petition and the funding the organisation is seeking. Ms De Busch advised the organisation is seeking assistance to establish a culturally safe community space to deliver services including food and clothing to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families in the Ipswich area.

The department remains committed to working closely with Campfire Healing Indigenous Corporation and are actively reaching out to potential funding sources, grants and other support programs that align with Campfire Healing's objectives.

I thank the petitioners for taking time to raise their concerns. If you require further information, please contact Mr Matt Fernyhough, Manager, South East Queensland Region, Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts on 0427 494 207 or by email at Matt.Fernyhough@dsdsatsip.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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