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The Hon Libby Mettam MLA

Member for Vasse

Dear Libby,

Re: Congratulations and Request for Support – Ludlow Tuart Forest Restoration Group

On behalf of the Ludlow Tuart Forest Restoration Group (LTFRG), we extend our sincere congratulations on your re-election as the Member for Vasse and commend your achievement in securing an increased two-party representation.

While the Liberal Party was not successful in forming Government, we warmly welcome your continued representation of the Vasse electorate. Your longstanding support for the LTFRG is deeply appreciated by our members and the wider community committed to conserving the unique Ludlow Settlement and surrounding Tuart Forest.

We also acknowledge your widely publicised commitment during the election campaign to provide \$1 million in support for the LTFRG and Tuart Forest conservation efforts. While we recognise that this commitment cannot be fulfilled in the absence of a Liberal Government, we note the positive influence this promise likely had on your re-election and the strong support you received from the LTFRG's membership and supporters.

As a member of the Opposition, we respectfully request your active lobbying of the Government, Premier, and relevant Ministers — particularly those responsible for Environment, Tourism, Forestry, and the Southwest — to increase tangible support for the LTFRG's work. As you rightly highlighted during your campaign, more than \$1 million will be required to achieve the essential heritage, conservation, and rehabilitation goals in the Ludlow area.

We believe there is significant opportunity to promote greater awareness of the historical, ecological, and tourism potential of Ludlow. Your advocacy, including arranging visits from key Government and Shadow Ministers, could be instrumental in achieving increased recognition and funding.

Recently, the LTFRG and the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) established a Ludlow Steering Committee to better align our efforts and priorities. While we have made modest progress—particularly in planning a campground and initiating building restoration—our work continues to be limited by budget constraints. Unfortunately requests for increased funding from Govt, through DBCA, have not been successful.

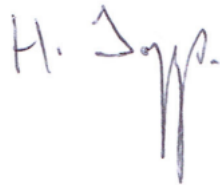
We have also explored corporate sponsorship and philanthropic avenues, though without success to date.

Given these challenges, we are seeking your assistance in advocating more strongly for support of the LTFRG's mission. We would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to provide

an update on our work, discuss potential strategies, and identify the most effective channels for further engagement.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and continued commitment to preserving the Ludlow Tuart Forest. We look forward to your response and the opportunity to work together in advancing this vital cause.

Kind regards,



President

Ludlow Tuart Forest Restoration Group