

## SUPPLEMENTARY WITNESS STATEMENT OF SONYA PRINGLE-JONES

| I, Sonya Pringle-Jones of           | Child                       |
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| Advocate, Department of Communities | , do solemnly and sincerely |
| declare that:                       |                             |

- I make this statement on the basis of my own knowledge, save where otherwise stated. Where I make statements based on information provided by others, I believe such information to be true.
- I previously made a witness statement to the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's Response to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings (Commission) dated 16 June 2022 (Statement). I appeared before the Commission on 17 June 2022.
- I provide this supplementary witness statement in order to make corrections to my Statement.

## **CORRECTIONS TO MY STATEMENT**

4. The first set of corrections are to paragraph 6 of my Statement, in which I describe the responsibilities of my role as State Program Manager of Therapeutic Services Tasmania with the Australian Childhood Foundation. That paragraph should be read (with insertions underlined) as follows:

"Those various roles have included from July 2016 to June 2018, State Program Manager of Therapeutic Services Tasmania with the Australian Childhood Foundation. In that role, I was responsible for two programs. A program for the counselling and systemic support for children and young people in OOHC, and a community\_based family violence counselling program for children and young people."

5. The second set of corrections are to paragraph 7 of my Statement, in which I describe my previous roles. That paragraph should be read (with insertions underlined and deletions in strikethrough) as follows:

"I have also held the following roles:

- (a) from February 2011 to July 2016, Team Leader & Therapeutic Specialist, Therapeutic Care Tasmania with the Australian Childhood Foundation;
- (b) from 2012 to 2018 I was a trainer within the registered training program of the Australian Childhood Foundation, responsible for delivering training to allied health professionals across various states on trauma-informed therapeutic care as part of the Graduate Certificate on Developmental Trauma;
- (c) from October 2009 to February 2011, Senior Child & Family Counsellor, Child Trauma Service, Tasmania, with the Australian Childhood Foundation; and
- (d) from July 2004 to October 2009, Child Protection Worker & Acting Team Leader, Case Management and Assessment/Response, Child Protection Services, Hobart, DHHS; and
- (e) <u>from 2001 to 2002 I was a Support Worker in residential care</u> settings for young people in the care system in the UK."
- 6. The third set of corrections are to paragraph 8 of my Statement, in which I describe the responsibilities of my role on a Trauma Assessment Panel. That paragraph should be read (with insertions underlined and deletions in strikethrough) as follows:

"In the role of Program Manager Bbetween July 2016 to June 2018, I was the Chair of athe Trauma Assessment Panel, which included was 15 allied health professionals across four jurisdictions. I was responsible for facilitating, which conducted fortnightly reflective practice discussions, quality assurance and approval of trauma assessments prior to release."

I make this solemn declaration under the Oaths Act 2001 (Tas).

Declared at Hobart on \( \bigcup\_{\limits} \) July 2022

Before me

Sonya Pringle-Jones

This Declaration was witnessed by audio-visual means in accordance with the 'Notice Unde Section 17' dated 4 September 2021, as authorised by the COVID-19 Disease (Miscellaned Provisions) Act 2020.