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HON. PHILLIP HONEYWOOD, M.P.

Member for Warrandyte
Deputy Leader of the Opposition
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To Whom it May Concern,

RE: LYREBIRD MEDIA

I am very pleased to offer my support for the attached application by Lyrebird Media for funding by Film Victoria.

Lyrebird Media has demonstrated their capacity to create diverse, world-class productions. The company's owners and managers, Maireid Sullivan and Ben Kettlewell, are accomplished and award winning producers and directors of documentary/films as well as possessing exceptional skills in the areas of performance arts, music composition and writing. Their accolades include Best Documentary Film at the 7th International Panorama of Independent Film and Video

There is little doubt that Lyrebird Media's latest documentary/film release 'Liquid Light – the power of water', represents a unique opportunity to present an artistic and thought provoking film that will benefit the entire community. Water is indeed our most precious resource and I believe it is important that we, as a community, support those who will promote and educate others when it comes to protecting the long-term sustainability of water resources. This important issue is highly relevant in our own backyard, as Victoria has experienced at least a decade of rainfall deficits, leading to hardship in our regional areas because of a lengthy drought.

Through the creative production methods employed by Maireid Sullivan and Ben Kettlewell, this project will utilise the interplay of light and music to capture the beauty and power of water in sustaining life. 'Liquid Light – The Power of Water' will examine water in all its' forms; from liquid to ice, vapour to liquid and back again, the interaction of water with gravity and the inescapable relationship between it and the survival of humankind. The overwhelming power of water when utilised, such as extracting energy from waves and converting it into electricity, while desalinating - will all form part of this fascinating and unique review of the water resource.

I believe this Lyrebird Media production is very timely. As I noted earlier, low water resources in our own state is a critical issue that will only become more serious as time passes and populations grow. The prospect of climate change should also not be ignored as a very real threat to future water resources for the entire global community.

I once again would like to express my full support for the Lyrebird Media production of 'Liquid Light – The Power of Water' and hope that Film Victoria can further support their film through a funding grant. I would appreciate your fullest consideration of Lyrebird Media's application.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Phillip Honeywood'.

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State Member for Warrandyte