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To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Letter of Support for the Next Iconic Walk Project

The Tasmanian Minerals, Manufacturing & Energy Council (TMEC) is pleased to provide this Letter of Support for the Next Iconic Walk (NIW) project.

TMEC recognises the significant opportunity this initiative presents to celebrate the extraordinary mineralisation, rich mining heritage, and globally significant geology of Western Tasmania, while enhancing safe public access to one of the state's most spectacular natural landscapes.

TMEC represents the state's minerals, manufacturing and high-energy user industries and provides leadership, effective issues management and cooperative action on behalf of its members. Our mission is to promote the development of sustainable exploration, mining, industrial processing, and manufacturing sectors that add value to Tasmanian communities.

The region traversed by the NIW is internationally recognised for its unique geological formations, including the Mount Read Volcanics, one of the most mineralised belts on Earth. The landscape tells a powerful story of deep geological processes, glaciation, and tectonic activity, all of which have shaped the mineral wealth that underpins Tasmania's industrial history. This terrain was explored and mapped by pioneers such as Thomas Bather Moore, whose work in harsh and remote conditions laid the foundations for the West Coast's mining legacy.

Mining and tourism have long coexisted on the West Coast, each contributing to the region's identity and economic resilience. TMEC strongly supports the NIW as a project that enhances this coexistence by providing safe, well prepared walking opportunities for visitors who wish to experience Tasmania's rugged beauty but require structured access. The walk will help diversify the regional economy by attracting new visitors, supporting local businesses, and strengthening the West Coast's reputation as a destination where natural wonder and industrial heritage are deeply intertwined.

This support aligns directly with TMEC's Strategic Plan, particularly the pillars that commit TMEC to:

- ✓ **Ensure TMEC has a voice in major projects and changes where there is potential to alter market forces.**
- ✓ **Highlight and promote this sector's positive contribution to the state and regional communities.**

TMEC also welcomes the opportunity to collaborate with Parks and Wildlife Service in developing accurate and engaging interpretive content that reflects the region's mining history, geological significance, and the essential role of critical minerals in the clean energy transition.

We are proud to support this important project and look forward to continuing our engagement as the NIW progresses.

Should you require any additional information or have questions about our support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mostogl', written in a cursive style.

Ray Mostogl
Chief Executive Officer