Media Statement

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Results of VLGA 2022 Board Elections

The VLGA is pleased to announce and welcome one new and one continuing member to its board for a three-year period commencing 1 July 2022.

The VLGA board is committed to excellence in its role as the governing body of the VLGA - setting long term strategy and policy for the benefit of its members and the local government sector as well as providing risk and governance oversight for the organisation.

Cr Annalivia Carli Hannan, a second term councillor and former mayor at Moreland City Council is the newly elected Board member.

Cr Carli Hannan is a social worker working as a school counsellor with a background in community health collaborating with government agencies in child protection, aged care and the NDIS. She holds a Master's degree in social work.

Cr Grace La Vella, Central Goldfields Shire Council, was also successful in this election, having been coopted to the VLGA Board on 1 January 2021 following a resignation. Cr La Vella was elected to Central Goldfields Council in 2020, having previously served as a mayor and councillor at Manningham City Council.

Cr La Vella trained and practiced as a registered nurse and subsequently completed a Diploma of Management. Cr La Vella has also owned and operated small businesses and recognises the importance of open dialogue and consultation.

The VLGA Chief Executive Officer Kathryn Arndt and the board congratulate Cr Carli Hannan and Cr La Vella and look forward to working with them in the support of good governance in the local government sector.

The VLGA farewells current member Councillor Collin Ross whose three-year term expires on 30 June 2022. Although eligible, Cr Ross did not stand for re-election. Cr Ross has been a board member of the VLGA since 2019 and previously served on the board some years ago. The VLGA thanks him for his continued support for the organisation and the sector.

Please attribute to VLGA Chief Executive Kathryn Arndt:

As an organisation, the VLGA's overriding value is to strengthen and support good governance in local government, says VLGA Chief Executive Officer Kathryn Arndt, and we congratulate Cr Carli Hannan and Cr La Vella who both bring with them substantial skills and experience. The VLGA board looks forward to working together to promote and facilitate trust and confidence in the sector.

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