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Dear Colleagues,

Letter of support for Transgender and Gender Diverse Communities — Pride in Law

As a Board of Directors, one of our key responsibilities is to support and encourage our profession.

Pride in Law is Australia's first and only LGBTIQ+ Law Association, which is '*Law Focused, Pride Inspired*'. Since launching in July 2017, Pride in Law has continued to provide visibility, education and advocacy around LGBTIQ+ issues in the legal profession. We represent and promote legal professionals, increase community understanding of the law, help protect the rights of individuals and advise the community about the many benefits legal professionals can provide. Pride in Law also assists the public by advising government on improvements to laws affecting Australians.

Ignorance is the ultimate barrier to achieving diversity and inclusion in society. Education and empathy are the solution. Pride in Law, including its Western Australia Chapter, condemns the recent transphobic and ignorant comments made in Perth.

We stand with and support our trans, non-binary and intersex colleagues and advocate for broader education, acceptance and understanding.

We are stronger together; we are united in our commitment to end abuse in all forms.

Yours sincerely,

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