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NATSIEC WELCOMES SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND VICTORIA SIGNING ONTO THE BETTER AND FAIRER SCHOOLS AGREEMENT FOR EDUCATION REFORM

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Corporation (NATSIEC) acknowledges the Prime Minister's announcement at the National Press Club regarding significant reforms, including South Australia and Victoria joining the Better Future Schools Agreement (BFSA), aimed at addressing education and training outcomes for First Nations students.

NATSIEC stands firmly behind its membership and the broader community-controlled sector, recognising the vital importance of working in partnership with state and territory governments and NATSIEC members to achieve meaningful change.

"We strongly support reforms that prioritise holistic, community-led solutions to address the longstanding inequities faced by First Nations learners, their families, and communities," said Sharon Davis, NATSIEC CEO.

As the national peak body representing and advocating for the educational interests of First Nations learners, NATSIEC trusts in the value of partnerships between jurisdictional bodies, community organisations, and governments.

"We respect the expertise of our members and their unique ability to advocate for policies that deliver meaningful outcomes for First Nations students," Davis continued.

Through strong and sustained partnerships, NATSIEC members continue to champion solutions that improve education and training opportunities for First Nations students, particularly in communities historically excluded from equitable access to education.

NATSIEC supports all initiatives that align with the targets and objectives of the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, ensuring that First Nations voices guide decision-making processes at every level.

"As a corporation built on the strength of community-led networks, NATSIEC is dedicated to centering the voices of First Nations communities, ensuring their lived experiences inform the development of impactful education reforms," Davis added.

NATSIEC remains steadfast in advocating for education systems that centre the self-determination of First Nations learners, ensuring their voices and communities shape their educational futures.

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