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Mr Neale Barry

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Dear Mr Barry

**Re: Request for letter of support**

Thank you for your email dated 13 November 2022, seeking a written statement of support for the construction of two Sand Filled Artificial Grass (SFAG) tennis courts with shade in Darwin.

Earlier this year the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities (the Department) released the *Northern Territory Sport and Active Recreation Infrastructure Plan - Future Design Projects 2022-32* (the Plan), which was based on consultation with all Northern Territory Peak Sporting Bodies (PSBs) and local government authorities, and seeks to transform the places and spaces where sport and active recreation is delivered across the Territory to increase participation and improve liveability.

Over the next few months, the Department will be going back out to PSBs and local governments to review and update the Plan. This will provide an opportunity for local clubs and regional associations to work with respective PSBs to identify facility needs across the Territory.

As part of this process, the Department supports tennis clubs working with Tennis NT to develop a long term masterplan that identifies and prioritises facilities needed to improve participation opportunities for all ages and abilities, and particularly under-represented groups, such as SFAG courts with shade.

Yours sincerely



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