

MEDIA RELEASE

FAMILY ADVOCACY SUPPORTS FOR A FIRST NATIONS VOICE TO BE ENSHRINED IN THE CONSTITUTION

To mark the 6th anniversary of the Uluru Statement of the Heart on 26 May, 2023, and to commemorate National Reconciliation Week's (27 May – 3 June, #NRW2023 nrw.reconciliation.org.au) theme, 'Be a Voice for Generations', Family Advocacy releases our [Statement of Support](#) of the Uluru Statement from the Heart in its entirety and are getting behind a YES vote in this year's referendum on constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through a [Voice to Parliament](#).

As a NSW disability advocacy organisation defending and promoting the rights and interests of people with developmental disability over the last 32 years, Family Advocacy is well aware of the impacts of devaluation and discrimination on people with disability. Given Indigenous Australians are almost twice as likely to experience disability, discrimination and inequities are experienced at a higher rate than the rest of the population. It is with this lens of understanding and deep concern, that we take this stance.

Past generations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have fought hard to pave the way, and this year, as we approach the referendum for a Voice to Parliament, Australians have an opportunity to be a voice for Reconciliation and [use their vote to build a better Nation for all](#). We encourage people to get informed so that we can move forward together.

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