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**2022 Annual General Meeting
Monday 24 October
At 570 Elizabeth Street and via Zoom
Minutes**

Welcome and Opening

At 4pm, Glen Noonan: CEO welcomed all attendees and read an *Acknowledgment of Country*.

Directors Present

Richard Loveridge (*President*), Kathryn Arndt, Erin Ferraris, Malcolm Gray AM, A/Professor Mark Kennedy, Victoria Stevenson, Ed Stockdale and Dr Sarah Wenham

Apologies

Apologies had been received from Board Directors Professor Peter Colman AM and Dan Jefferson

Proxies

No proxies had been received prior to the meeting.

Quorum

Having been advised by the Corporate Secretary that there were approximately 35 attendees in person and online (*with a quorum being at least 20 financial members*), Glen advised that the meeting would proceed.

Draft Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting, held on Monday 25 October

Glen proposed that the draft minutes of the *2021 Annual General Meeting*, as published on *Diligent* and on the Diabetes Victoria AGM webpage, be signed as an accurate record.

The motion was moved and passed, with 9 members in person and 17 members online voting in favour and none against

President's Address

Richard Loveridge acknowledged another year of change and challenges for all of us learning to live in a new and evolving "normal" in Victoria. However, thanks to the hard work, support and commitment of our community, Diabetes Victoria still had much to celebrate.

Richard expressed gratitude for the generous contribution of the late Charles Campbell Coghlan OAM, whose gift left in his will allowed us to contribute \$2.9M to diabetes-related research through the Diabetes Australia Research Program this financial year. He was also very pleased we were able to continue to support the Australian Centre for Behavioural Research in Diabetes, in partnership with Deakin University, to undertake and share their important research work.

Over the past year, we delivered many well-received programs, courses, events and campaigns; we continued to build our connection with, and create a culturally safe space for, our diverse

community; we were there via the NDSS Helpline; we worked towards the prevention of type 2 diabetes, heart disease and stroke as the coordinator of the Victorian Department of Health's long-standing Life! program; and (after lockdown) we resumed our collection of donated goods in partnership with Savers Australia.

Richard, on behalf of the Board, thanked the Diabetes Victoria staff for their continuing efforts and resilience in times of change.

He thanked his fellow Board Directors for their support and for giving their time and talents freely and generously. Richard welcomed Dan Jefferson, who joined the Board in 2022.

Richard then took a moment to remember and thank Emeritus Professor Trisha Dunning AM, who died in October of 2021 while a Director on our Board. Trisha was a long-serving and impactful member of our community and a dear friend to many. Her legacy of care, teaching and research will live on for many years to come.

Richard acknowledged and appreciated Craig Bennett, who retired from his role as CEO of Diabetes Victoria and from full time work in March 2022. Craig stepped down after 9 years leading Diabetes Victoria as a vibrant, inclusive organisation closely engaged with the community we strive to serve.

Glen Noonan, who stepped down from his role as Board President and commenced as the CEO in June this year. Glen and the senior managers led the organisation with passion and continued to inspire us with the excellence of their work, Richard said.

Richard confirmed that Diabetes Victoria remained focused on being here for people affected by, or at risk of, diabetes. He said: "We are here to work with you and for you; to advocate on your behalf, to support you to live well with diabetes and to amplify your voice in the community. We now look forward to what will be our 70th year of impact in 2023, as the leading charity and peak consumer body supporting Victorians affected by diabetes."

CEO's Address

Glen Noonan said that he was most proud that Diabetes Victoria had stayed true to our vision and mission over the past 12 months – doing our best to support people affected by, or at risk of, diabetes – and he thanked the Diabetes Victoria team for showing remarkable resilience and commitment.

Glen then looked forward to the next 12 months and beyond, with many new events, initiatives and partnerships to improve our connection to and collaboration with our community. Glen shared his hope that our impact would grow to support more of the 374,000 people currently affected by diabetes in our state, in more ways.

In the lead up to the November State Election, Diabetes Victoria was calling on the next Victorian Government to recognise, prioritise and collaborate on the key issues affecting Victorians living with diabetes, to improve both their physical and mental health and quality of life of all Victorians affected by or at risk of diabetes, Glen said. "We have published an advocacy document with our key election priorities and are reaching out to parliamentarians, leaders of likeminded organisations and other key stakeholders to drive action on our priorities."

Glen noted that, in late November, Diabetes Victoria would launch our 2022 Impact Report at an inaugural Thank You event for many of our major supporters. At this event Glen was also excited to be announcing the 2022 recipients of our prestigious Outstanding Contribution and Outstanding Contribution – Lived Experience with Diabetes awards.

Finally, Glen offered his own thanks to the Board, staff, volunteers, donors, advisors and many partners of Diabetes Victoria for their tireless commitment to our mission in FY 21/22.

FY 21/22 Financial Report

Lalith Abeysena: Company Secretary proposed that the Financial Report of Diabetes Victoria for the year ended 30 June 2022, as well as the reports of the Directors and Auditor thereon, as published on our website, be adopted.

The motion was moved and passed, with 9 members in person and 17 members online voting in favour and none against

Re-appointment of Directors

Lalith proposed that Directors: Malcolm Gray AM, Richard Loveridge and Victoria Stevenson, who retired by rotation and, in accordance with the provisions of the Diabetes Victoria Constitution and being eligible, offered themselves for re-election, be appointed for a further term of 3 years.

The motion was moved and passed, with 9 members in person and 17 members online voting in favour and none against

Appointment of Director

Lalith proposed that Dan Jefferson, who joined the Board of Directors in June 2022, be appointed for a three-year term.

The motion was moved and passed, with 9 members in person and 17 members online voting in favour and none against

General Business

Glen advised that there was no general business for which the required notice had been given.

Close

Glen thanked all those who attended in person and online and declared the meeting closed at 4.20pm.

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President and Chair

Date