



## Media Statement

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### **Queensland's bid for the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games is good news for Brisbane**

The announcement from the Queensland Government that it will lodge a bid for the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games is welcome news for Brisbane and the region, according to the Committee For Brisbane.

Chief Executive Officer Barton Green said the prestige of hosting the world's premier sporting event would last lifetimes and forever lift Brisbane into the august family of Olympic cities.

"Our support for a 2032 Olympics bid is not just for the honor of hosting the world's premier sporting event, but particularly for the catalytic and transformational infrastructure projects that a successful bid should trigger," Mr Green said.

"The State Government's estimate that the whole of Queensland would secure an extra 129,000 jobs in the lead up to the Games will boost the entire State, and the billions of dollars in infrastructure projects that would be brought forward will change our region for the better.

"The Committee For Brisbane supports the State Government's commitment that any successful bid must benefit the whole State and we undertake to work closely with the State to engage with Queensland regions to identify how they might benefit from the Games and their preparations."

Mr Green said industry and community development were at the heart of the Committee's activities, with a focus on investment, infrastructure, environment, tourism and cultural development.

"Our support for a 2032 Olympics and Paralympics is a key part of our role to promote the region and to achieve sustainable economic and lifestyle benefits for businesses and communities," Mr Green said.

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### **About The Committee For Brisbane**

*The Committee for Brisbane is an independent, not-for-profit organisation whose vision is for greater Brisbane to be the world's most livable place. For more than 60 years the Committee has been an influential, apolitical organisation that has provided strong advocacy for the city and region. The Committee comprises more than 130 organisations, companies and individuals who are committed and motivated to create a better Greater Brisbane.*