

**COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE RESPONSES TO DOMESTIC  
AND FAMILY VIOLENCE**

*Commissions of Inquiry Act 1950  
Section 5(1)(d)*

**STATEMENT OF KARYN WALSH**

<b>Name of Witness:</b>	<b>Karyn Walsh</b>
<b>Current address:</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Occupation:</b>	<b>Chief Executive Officer, Micah Projects</b>
<b>Contact details (phone/email):</b>	[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

I, Karyn Walsh, make oath and state as follows:

1. I am the chief executive officer of Micah Projects.
2. Micah Projects is a community-based, not-for-profit organisation with a vision to create social justice and respond to injustice at the personal, social, and structural levels in the church, government, business and society. Micah Projects provides a range of support and advocacy services to individuals and families, including in relation to domestic and family violence.
3. In the course of providing those support and advocacy services, Micah Projects' workers have observed many interactions between police and people experiencing domestic and family violence, or heard from people experiencing domestic and family violence about their interactions with police.
4. On 8 July 2022, I co-authored a submission to the Commission of Inquiry into Queensland Police Service responses to domestic and family violence which identifies what, in our experience, about the QPS response to domestic and family violence is working well and what our key concerns in this area are.
5. That submission is attached to this statement. I am prepared to give evidence about the matters set out in that submission.

**OATHS ACT 1867 (DECLARATION)**

I Karyn Walsh do solemnly and sincerely declare that:

- (1) This written statement by me is true to the best of my knowledge and belief: and
- (2) I make this statement knowing that if it were admitted as evidence, I may be liable to prosecution for stating in it anything I know to be false.

And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the *Oaths Act 1867*.



Taken and declared before me at West End this 19th day of July 2022.

Taken By .....  
Justice of the Peace / Commissioner for Declarations / Lawyer