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Dear Sirs,

Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) Registers Reform

I refer to the exposure draft of the Treasury Laws Amendment (Measures for Consultation) Bill 2023: Deductible Gift Recipient Registers Reform.

As Secretary of this DGR in the arts sector, a Director of another DGR arts organisation and the Chair of a DGR that provide support to people with a disability, I am acutely aware of:

- The much longer delay in applying for DGR through ROCO for arts organisations.
- The inconsistency and apparently value-less administrative load imposed on arts organisations compared with others in relation to the administration and reporting of a Public Fund.

I and my association welcome and support the changes in the proposed amendments.

Our only recommendation is that you go on to ensure the requirements with respect to donations and a public/gift fund are fully aligned across all types of DGR organisation. There seems no rationale for any difference whatsoever.

Best regards

Grant Purdy

Secretary, WMIAA

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