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CROWN RESORTS FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES ITS LATEST INDIGENOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM PARTNERS

Sydney, Australia. Tuesday 23 June 2015. Gretel Packer, Chair of the Packer Family Foundation, today announced the latest Indigenous education program partners to be supported through the Crown Resorts Foundation and Packer Family Foundation's \$200 million National Philanthropic Fund.

The Crown Resorts Foundation is committed to providing opportunities for young Indigenous Australians. Supporting Indigenous education programs is a key priority of the \$200 million National Philanthropic Fund as we work towards eliminating Indigenous disadvantage in Australia.

The Indigenous education organisations selected as partners were chosen for their commitment to work with parents and communities to establish the trust and sense of security that enables children not only to benefit from a consistent school-based education but to thrive in such a setting.

The Crown Resorts Foundation and the Packer Family Foundation would like to congratulate the successful Indigenous education program partners: Australian Indigenous Education Foundation; Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience; Australian Literacy and Numeracy Foundation; Aurora Indigenous Education Foundation – The Aspiration Initiative Academic Enrichment Program; Clontarf Foundation; and Mt Druitt Street University – Noffs Indigenous Schools Project.

Ms Packer said:

'We are delighted to partner with these outstanding Indigenous education providers. It is our hope and belief that the selected programs will provide young Australians with opportunities they need to learn, grow, and be confident in themselves and their ability to succeed.'

Of the new partnership, Jack Manning Bancroft, CEO and Founder of the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience, said:

'Indigenous kids are born superheroes; we simply show them how to fly. This partnership will help us do more for Indigenous kids, inspiring the next generation of leaders to rise up and take off.'

Andrew Penfold, Executive Director of the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation, said:

'AIEF is proud to partner with the Crown Resorts Foundation and the funding they provide will be vital for AIEF's continued growth and success, as we strive to empower thousands more Indigenous children to shape Australia's future.'

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