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## **Blue & Green Will Be Seen**

*NPAQ is painting the town in celebration of our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

**BRISBANE, QLD, July 8<sup>th</sup> 2022**

On July 22<sup>nd</sup> Brisbane City Hall and King George Square will be lit up in blue and green to celebrate the National Parks Association of Queensland's (NPAQ) 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

As NPAQ is Queensland's oldest environmental not-for-profit organisation and one of the oldest in Australia, it occupies a unique place in our history.

“National parks are so important for many reasons, but particularly our health. That's why we are using the colours blue and green for this momentous occasion, to highlight the importance of blue and green spaces for our wellbeing” said NPAQ President, Susanne Cooper.

Joining the celebrations as guest speakers are Queensland Environment Minister, Meaghan Scanlon and Chair of Queensland's First Nations Tourism Council, Cameron Costello.

“It's fantastic to have everyone come together to celebrate our milestone anniversary, and it's great timing following the record-breaking budget allocation to national parks and protected areas announced last month,” said Ms Cooper.

NPAQ has played a pivotal role in the creation of many national parks in Queensland, including iconic parks such as Girraween National Park. The Association brings together people who share an appreciation for protected areas and the vital role they play in conserving our unique and splendid natural environment.

“Our advocacy has been driven by science, professional expertise, impartial scrutiny, and trusted relationships for nine decades now. We're looking forward to a fantastic evening of reflection and celebration with a group of people who truly care about our natural environment.”

This celebration is open for anyone to attend and ticket sales to the Anniversary Dinner end on July 17<sup>th</sup> via the NPAQ website: [www.npaq.org.au/90th-anniversary-dinner](http://www.npaq.org.au/90th-anniversary-dinner)

*The National Parks Association of Queensland (NPAQ) is an independent, not-for-profit, membership-based organisation. It was the first conservation organisation in Queensland, and the longest running National Park Association in Australia. NPAQ promotes the preservation, expansion, good management and presentation of National Parks, and supports nature conservation in Queensland.*

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