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Via email: secretary@hsu.asn.au

Re: Pets at Work Policy – Sydney Local Health District

Dear Mr Hayes, *Gerard*

I write to advise the Health Services Union regarding the development of the Sydney Local Health District Pets at Work policy.

As you know, Sydney Local Health District takes great pride in supporting the health and wellbeing of our staff. We acknowledge the role that pets can play in wellbeing.

We have listened to our staff and have developed a Pets at Work Policy. I have attached the draft policy for your information.

The Pets at Work policy has been circulated for consultation within the District. It will be circulated for further consultation shortly. Feedback to date has been positive.

This policy will provide clarity regarding process, roles and responsibility for pets in the workplace.

We anticipate this policy being supported at the first policy committee meeting in 2025.

Should the Union have any queries regarding the information in this correspondence, please contact Nathan Rudd, A/Director People and Culture at Nathan.Rudd@health.nsw.gov.au or on 9515 9389.

Yours sincerely,

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Date: *12.12.24*