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Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate
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Dear Sir/Madam,

2023-24 ACT Budget Consultation

I am writing to you on behalf of Community and Public Sector (CPSU) members working in the ACT Public Service (ACTPS). The CPSU previously made a submission to 2023-24 ACT Budget Consultation (Submission 040) and are seeking an addendum to the final section 'Genuine consultation with staff to improve the ACTPS' to include the following:

Investing in the future of the working week

The ACT Public Service has a unique opportunity to be a model employer, leading in both pay and conditions. As part of a commitment to both, ACT Government budgets should invest in future-focused and progressive ideas to support the workforce, attracting and retaining staff to deliver high-quality public services.

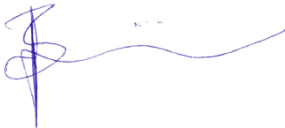
CPSU members note with interest the ACT Legislative Assembly's Inquiry into the Future of the Working Week. In providing evidence, the Community and Public Sector noted:

- An aspiration for a 20% reduction in working hours with no loss of pay;
- Support for a trial in the ACT Public Service to gather further evidence around this aspiration; and
- That the ACT Public Service hire additional permanent staff to ensure high-quality service delivery to offset reductions in working hours across the board.

The CPSU supports investment in ACT Government budgets to meet these ambitions.

For further information, please contact me, via email Brenton.higgins@cpsu.org.au or on 0400 380 248.

Yours sincerely,



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