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Mr Jonathon Fisher
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Dear Mr Fisher

I refer to an email of 26 June 2018 from Ms Jane Alexander, Heritage Advocacy Advisor, National Trust of Australia (Queensland) (NTAQ) to the Honourable Leeanne Enoch MP, Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts regarding NTAQ's response to the Queensland State Government budget. The Minister has asked me to respond on her behalf.

The Minister commends NTAQ's longstanding and ongoing role in protecting, conserving and celebrating Queensland's environmental, built, cultural and natural heritage. As identified in NTAQ's document, Queensland State Budget for 2018-19: what does it mean for heritage?, the budget delivers a range of positive outcomes for heritage places across the State. Specific funding includes projects at state heritage places such as Jimna Fire Tower and significant allocations for urgent remedial conservation works for identified state heritage buildings. In addition, the commitment to investigate proposals outlined in the Heritage Working Group final report demonstrate the Queensland Government's commitment to heritage.

As Queensland's leading community heritage organisation, NTAQ's advocacy activities are very important in heightening awareness of heritage issues across the State. The Minister supports and encourages NTAQ's proactive advocacy approach to influence and assist the conservation of Queensland's cultural heritage, for the benefit of the community and future generations.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Fiona Gardiner, Director, Environmental Policy and Planning, Department of Environment and Science

Yours sincerely

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