BEFORE INDEPENDENT HEARING COMMISSIONS MAI I NGĀ KAIKOMIHANA MOTUHAKE

UNDER the Resource Management Act

1991 ("**RMA**")

AND

IN THE MATTER OF submissions on the Hamilton,

Waipā and Waikato Intensification Planning Instruments ("**IPIs**")

MEMORANDUM OF COUNSEL FOR TE TŪĀPAPA KURA KĀINGA - MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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May it please the Commissioners:

- 1. Counsel for Te Tūāpapa Kura Kainga Ministry of Housing and Urban Development ("**HUD**") refers to the directions of the Panel on 30 May 2023, inviting comment on the implications, if any, of the recent High Court decision in *Southern Cross Healthcare Ltd v Eden Epsom Residential Protection Society Incorporated* [2023] NZHC 948.
- Counsel has had the opportunity to review an advance copy of the submissions for Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities ("Kāinga Ora") and agrees with the position set out by counsel for Kāinga Ora.
- 3. The only additional point that can be made is, unlike the situation in *Eden Epsom*, the Resource Management (Enabling Housing Supply and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2021 ("Amendment Act") is clearly relevant to the exercise of your powers under Sch 1 to the Act. Indeed, the Amendment Act is the reason why the Panel has been convened. The transitional provisions that applied to exclude consideration of the Amendment Act in *Eden Epsom* do not apply to the intensification streamlined planning processes that are required as a direct result of the Amendment Act.

Dated 9 June 2023

A M Cameron Counsel for HUD