GULF REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION RNTBC

ICN - 7139

Tuesday, 13th October 2026

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

In accordance with the rules under Section 11 of GULF REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION RNTBC (The Corporation) Rule Book, the Board of Directors invite all members to attend The Corporations **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** at the time, date, and location as set out below.

DATE: **Wednesday, 11 November 2026**

TIME: **10:00AM**

VENUE: **MSC Training Room, Gununa**

BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

The business of the Annual General Meeting will be as follows:

- Welcome, Attendance, and Respects;
- Update details of the Register of Members;
- Apologies and proxy votes;
- Appointment of Chair for the meeting;
- Confirmation of the minutes of the previous AGM held 30 October 2025;
- Chairperson Report;
- Consideration of reports under Chapter 7 of the Act as required, including Financial Reports;
- Questions about management of the Corporation and asking questions of the Corporation's accountant and auditor;
- Appointment and remuneration of an Auditor for next financial year;
- Update of the Corporations Activities (Including WILSSED Rangers);
- Proposed Special Resolution - amendments to the Rule Book to allow GRAC to apply to become a Deductible Gift Receipt (DGR) with the Australian Tax Office;
- Appointment of director vacancy for Lardil Community Group under Rule 18 (Replacement Director); and
- Other business.

*for a 10:30 AM commencement

Proposed Special Resolution to amend the Rule Book

A summary of and explanation for the proposed changes to the Rule Book is set out in **Annexure A**. The proposed resolution to be put to the members is set out and included in this notice at **Annexure B**.

For the Rule Book to be changed as proposed, the Special Resolution must be considered and voted on by GRAC members at a General Meeting in accordance with section 69-5(1)(a) of the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (Cth) and rule 30 of the current Rule Book. A Special Resolution is carried only if it is supported by at least 75% of the votes cast by members entitled to vote on the resolution who are present at the meeting.

Under rule 30.3 of the Rule Book, only those members who are recorded as having a Primary Affiliation to the Lardil People, Yangkaal People, Gangalidda People or Kaiadilt People are entitled to vote for an alteration to the Rule Book.

Copies of the current Rule Book will be available at the meeting. Members who wish to receive a copy before the meeting should contact the Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation on 07 4041 3833 to request a copy by mail or email. Alternatively, the current Rule Book can be downloaded from the GRAC website at: https://www.gracpbc.com.au/our-organisation/#rulebook

Appointing a proxy

Under rule 12, current members of the Corporation who are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting may appoint one current Corporation member to hold their proxy to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting on their behalf. No member shall hold more than three (3) proxies. A proxy form is attached to this notice at **Annexure C**. Proxy forms need to be handed to the Contact Person prior to the meeting. Please note that members may only hold a proxy for another member if both members are listed on the Register of Members as having the same Primary Affiliation or Secondary Affiliation.

Filling a Lardil vacancy

The Board seeks to appoint a Lardil Director to fill the vacancy that arose following the resignation of a Director in September 2026, in accordance with Rule 18 of the Rule Book. A Lardil Director will be appointed in accordance with that Rule, as follows:

> (a) Nominations of eligible members will be called from the floor of the AGM, for nominees for the position, which nominees must be present and give their consent to the nomination. Only members with a Primary Affiliation to the Lardil Community Group are eligible to be nominated to fill the vacancy.
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> (b) If only one valid nomination is received, that person shall be deemed appointed to fill the vacancy. However, if more than one valid nomination is received, the election of a nominee shall be determined by secret ballot.
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> (c) Only members who are recorded in the Register of Members as having a Primary Affiliation or Secondary Affiliation to the Lardil Community Group to which the casual vacancy relates may vote under this Rule.

As only members having a Primary Affiliation or Secondary Affiliation to the Lardil Community Group are eligible to vote on an election (if a vote is required), it is important they attend this meeting.

Eligibility for nomination as a Lardil Director

To be eligible for nomination as a Lardil Director:

- the member must have a Director ID number (see below);
- the member must have their Primary Affiliation recorded in the Register of Members as being from the Community Group for which they are nominating;
- the member must sign and give to the contact person a consent to act as director form before they may be appointed a director of the Corporation; and
- the member must not have been disqualified from managing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations unless their appointment is made with the permission of the Registrar and with leave of the Court.

Director Identification Number requirements

For those eligible members who wish to **nominate to be appointed as a director** of the Corporation, **you will need to have a Director Identification Number in accordance with rule 16.3 of the Rule Book**.

A Director Identification Number:

- is known as a 'director ID'
- is a unique 15-digit number given to a director (or someone who intends to become a director) who has verified their identity with Australian Business Registry Services.

Director ID numbers are given out by the Registrar of Australian Business Registry Services.

All directors of CATSI Act corporations or a company registered under the *Corporations Act 2001* need a Director ID. Please read **Annexure D** of this notice on how to obtain a Director ID Number.

Expenses and travel

No expenses incurred by members will be covered by the Corporation.

Morning Tea and Lunch will be provided at the meeting**.**

Contact

Should you have any questions about this notice please contact GRAC Contact Person Tommy Wilson on 0427 112 105 or chairperson@gracpbc.com.au.

I look forward to seeing all members at the Annual General Meeting.

Yours sincerely

Tommy Wilson
Chairperson

ANNEXURE A

EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE BOOK CHANGES CONTAINED IN THE SPECIAL RESOLUTION

The Special Resolution amends the GRAC Rule Book to comply with the specific requirements under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (Cth) and the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* (Cth) to allow GRAC to establish a gift fund and become a deductible gift recipient (**DGR**). A DGR can receive gifts and donations from third parties who can then claim a tax deduction from the Australian Taxation Office (**ATO**) for the payment of that gift or donation. The purpose of seeking DGR status is to increase the likelihood of gifts and donations being made to GRAC. As GRAC is already registered with the Australian Charities and Not-For-Profits Commission, these changes are required to allow GRAC to apply for endorsement as a DGR with the ATO.

ANNEXURE B

PROPOSED SPECIAL RESOLUTION

The members resolve to amend the Rule Book of the Gulf Region Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (ICN:7139) as follows:

a) Insert new Rule 6.1(e) as follows:

To operate and maintain a gift fund to be known as 'The Wellesley Islands Gift Fund' in accordance with the requirements of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cth).

b) Amend Rule 26.1 as follows (changes shown by underline and strikethrough):

26.1 All funds or property of the Corporation not including any funds or property which may be subject to any special trust are available at the discretion of the Board of Directors, and must solely be used for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Corporation. ~~This is provided that no portion can be paid or applied directly or indirectly by way of profit to any member~~. This is provided that the income, assets (including gifts) or property must not be distributed to members while the Corporation is in operation, nor on winding up.

c) Insert new Rule 28 as follows:

28 Gift Fund Establishment and Management

28.1 The Corporation shall maintain for the main purpose of the corporation a gift fund:

(a) to be named 'The Wellesley Islands Gift Fund;'

(b) which must receive gifts of money or property for the purposes of the objectives of the Corporation; and

(c) which must have credited to it any money received by the Corporation because of those gifts.

28.2 The gift fund cannot receive any money or property other than that stated at rule 28.1(b).

28.3 The Corporation shall use gifts made to the gift fund and any money received because of them only for the principal purpose of the Corporation.

28.4 Receipts issued for gifts to the gift fund must state:

(a) the full name of the Corporation;

(b) the Australian Business Number (if applicable) and the Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN) of the Corporation;

(c) the fact that the receipt is for a gift.

28.5 As soon as:

(a) the gift fund is wound up; or

(b) the Corporation's endorsement as a deductible gift recipient is revoked under section 426-55 of the Taxation Administration Act 1953,

any surplus assets of the gift fund must be transferred to another fund, authority or institution, which has similar objectives to the Corporation. This body must also be

able to receive tax deductible gifts under division 30 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

d) Existing Rules 28 to 32 be renumbered as Rules 29 to 33 respectively.

e) Amend Rule 31.4(d) as follows (changes shown by underline and strikethrough):

31.4 (d) ~~is a public benevolent institution for the purposes of any taxation law of the Commonwealth.~~ Must be able to receive tax deductible gifts under division 30 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

ANNEXURE C

SCHEDULE 6 - FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY FOR GULF REGION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION RNTBC

I, _____

(Full name)

of _____

(Address)

being a member Gulf Region Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC with a primary affiliation to the [*place a tick or cross next to one only*]:

_____ Lardil People;

_____ Yangkaal People;

_____ Gangalidda People;

_____ Kaiadilt People.

and a secondary affiliation to the [*place a tick or cross next to any of the following*]

_____ Lardil People;

_____ Yangkaal People;

_____ Gangalidda People;

_____ Kaiadilt People.

hereby appoint

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(Full name of proxy)

of _____

(Address)

being a member of the Gulf Region Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the general meeting of the Gulf Region Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (annual general meeting or other general meeting, as the case may be)

to be held on the _____ day of _____ 20_____,

and at any adjournment of that meeting.

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Signature of member appointing proxy

Date _____

NOTE: A proxy vote may not be given to a person who is not a member of the Gulf Region Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC.

The rule book of Gulf Region Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC ICN 7139. Registered by a delegate of the Registrar of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations on 18 August 2023.

ANNEXURE D

DIRECTOR IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS

Before a member can become a director of GRAC, they must first apply to obtain a director's identification number (DIN). This is a number registered with Australian Business Registry Services (ABRS) used to identify directors with the Office of Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC), the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), and the Australian Tax Office (ATO). It is personal to that director, like a tax file number, and will be used by that person if they become a director of any other company in the future.

HOW TO OBTAIN A DIN

There are three (3) ways to apply for a DIN:

1. The quickest and easiest way is to apply online through the ABRS. To do this you first have to set up a "myGovID" profile (this is different to "MyGov" profile used to link your Centrelink, Medicare or ATO accounts) – to apply online visit www.mygovid.gov.au;

2. Apply over the phone by calling ABRS on 13 62 50 and answering some proof-of-identity questions;

3. Apply using a paper form (which can be obtained by calling ABRS on 13 62 50 or contacting the Carpentaria Land Council). This method takes the longest time for applications to be processed.

Each method will require your tax file number (TFN), residential address as recorded by the ATO, and certified copies of:

- Birth certificate *OR* Passport; *AND*

- Medicare card *AND* Driver's licence including photo, licence card number and signature (address on the card must match DIN application details)

Copies of identity documents can be certified by a lawyer, medical practitioner, Justice of the Peace (JP) or Commissioner for Declarations, Police Officer or Minister of religion.

If applying online or by phone, you will also need 2 further proof-of-identity documents held by the ATO such as:

- Bank account details;

- Notice of assessment of tax return in the last 5 years;

- Super account details; or

- Centrelink payment summary.

Applications for DINs should be made personally. If assistance is required to make the application the person making the application must be present when it is made.