



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Mall call pleases all**

The Federal Government's decision to join state and local counterparts in funding the proposed redevelopment of Flinders Street has been heartily welcomed by those advocating the project.

Townsville Enterprise, the Townsville Chamber of Commerce and the Townsville City Council have held countless meetings with representatives of both the Queensland and Federal Government over many years.

Townsville Enterprise Chief Executive Officer Trevor Goldstone paid tribute to the work of all involved while celebrating the decision.

"This decision has been a long time coming, the Flinders Street Redevelopment has been on everybody's lips for years and to have commitments from both the State and Federal Governments in such a short time is just fantastic."

"This project will create jobs for the region at a time when we need them most. It will stimulate our economy. It will be a catalyst for private sector investment into the CBD. We congratulate the Townsville City Council for their vision for the city centre, and the Queensland and Federal Governments for coming on board and buying into the vision."

"Townsville Enterprise has been working on this project for many years, through our board and my predecessor – and I would like to recognise the hard work of our organisation over many years."

"We are delighted to have this project off our books after all these years – we'll now be looking for new opportunities and new projects that will bring jobs and long term growth to our region."

"We look forward to seeing a fresh and revitalised city heart. Flinders Street is a gateway to the rest of the region and having a vibrant city centre will help us in our work promoting North Queensland as a destination to visit, invest and live," Mr Goldstone said.

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