



# Media Statement

## VACYPA Reflects on Premier Jacinta Allan's Leadership & Looks Ahead

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VACYPA acknowledges Premier Jacinta Allan following her announcement that she will step down as Premier of Victoria.

During her time as Premier, Victoria progressed important milestones in truth-telling, Treaty and self-determination, including the commencement of Australia's first formal Treaty negotiations and the continuation of the Yoorrook Justice Commission's work.

We thank Premier Allan for her service to Victoria and acknowledge her leadership during a period of significant reform for First Peoples.

Throughout her time as Premier, Aboriginal organisations, including VACYPA member Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs), children, young people, families and communities have benefited from the Victorian Government's continued commitment to self-determination, truth-telling and Closing the Gap priorities. These commitments have helped strengthen the foundations for long-term change and improved outcomes for future generations.

As Victoria enters a new chapter of leadership, VACYPA looks forward to working with the Premier Ben Carroll and Victorian Government to continue progressing the commitments under *Wungurilwil Gapgapduir: Aboriginal Children and Families Agreement* and ensure Aboriginal children and young people remain at the centre of policies and decisions that affect their lives.

Our hope is that the next chapter of Victoria's leadership continues to build on the principles of self-determination, accountability and partnership, so that every Aboriginal child and young person has the opportunity to thrive.

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