

La Trobe Financial partners with Taronga Conservation Society Australia

Wednesday 7 December 2022 – La Trobe Financial today announced a two year partnership with Taronga Conservation Society Australia (Taronga), highlighting its ESG commitments (including to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals) by supporting endangered species.

Taronga Zoo, an iconic and heritage-listed site, is more than 100 years old and has a long history of helping wildlife. Through Taronga's breed and release and rehabilitation programs, more than 50,000 animals have been released back into the wild. In alignment with its commitment to conservation, Taronga also cares for more than 4,000 animals from over 350 species, many of which are threatened or endangered. Taronga also supports over 60 conservation projects across the globe.

Chris Andrews, Chief Executive Officer at La Trobe Financial commented "we are pleased to partner with Taronga. The work Taronga undertakes behind the scenes is vital and increasing in importance. The catastrophic events of 2019 and 2020, including bushfires and floods, had a devastating effect on our community and our wildlife and remind us we all need to play our part to protect the environment. This partnership is a natural addition to our existing ESG program".

La Trobe Financial's partnership with Taronga will include support for the critically endangered Regent Honeyeater. Taronga has been a key player in the National Recovery Plan for more than two decades, with more than 300 birds bred and released back into woodland ecosystems, however more must be done to secure the future of this significant species.

Cameron Kerr AO, Chief Executive Officer at Taronga said, "we believe firmly that we all have a role to play in securing a future for wildlife and people. Over the past few years, we have seen a rapid acceleration in the decline of our environment with events such as the Black Summer bushfires having a devastating impact on animals and ecosystems and reminding us of the urgent need to take action."

"Good conservation happens in collaboration, which is why partnerships, whether that be with individuals and governments or with organisations like La Trobe Financial are so important in setting a course for the future," said Kerr.

La Trobe Financial is certified carbon neutral for its Australian operations and this partnership, spearheaded through its ESG program, will play a key role in delivering on La Trobe Financial's sustainability commitments.

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