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ANROWS appoints new Chief Executive Officer

The board of ANROWS today announced that Dr Tessa Boyd-Caine has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety (ANROWS), following appointment of former CEO Ms Padma Raman PSM to Executive Director of the Federal Office for Women. Dr Boyd-Caine will take up the position in February.

Dr Boyd-Caine will lead ANROWS as CEO following her tenure as the inaugural CEO of Health Justice Australia, a position she has held since 2016. Given her extensive research background, history of coalition building and depth of experience as a Chief Executive, the Board believes that Dr Boyd-Caine will provide strong leadership for ANROWS as we look to deliver the evidence base that supports ending violence against women and children in Australia.

Prior to her leadership of Health Justice Australia, Dr Boyd Caine was the Deputy CEO of the Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS). She was the inaugural Fullbright Professional Scholar in Nonprofit Leadership, holds a PhD in social science from the London School of Economics and Political Science, and a Master of Criminology.

"I am delighted that Dr Tessa Boyd-Caine has agreed to lead ANROWS" said chair of ANROWS, Ms Sam Mostyn AO. "Her expertise as a leader, researcher and collaborator makes her a perfect fit to lead ANROWS."

Dr Boyd-Caine said she was looking forward to taking on the role: "The national priority to end violence against women and children reflects the hard-earned gains of advocates over many years, many of whom draw on their own lived experience to focus the nation's attention on the unacceptable levels of violence against women and children across this country. I can't think of a more important time to advance this priority and I am thrilled to have the opportunity to lead the ANROWS team to do it. I look forward to strengthening

ANROWS' voice in support of evidence-based policy to reduce violence against women and children.”

Ms Mostyn said, “The board looks forward to Dr Tessa Boyd-Caine taking up her role in ANROWS in Feb 2024, and would like to thank the leadership of Acting CEO Dr Jane Lloyd who will continue in the role until Tessa starts. Jane has provided stability and leadership during this period of transition, and the board is grateful to her for her work and for taking on additional responsibilities. Jane will continue at ANROWS as the Director of Research and Evaluation once Dr Boyd-Caine commences as CEO.”

ANROWS is Australia's leading independent research organisation established to produce evidence to support the reduction of violence against women and children in Australia.

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