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Media Release: APY Executive Board Reappoints Bernard Singer as Chairperson

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The Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Executive Board is pleased to announce the reappointment of Bernard Singer as Chairperson. Mr Singer has served in this role since 2021, following the resignation of Sally Scales.

In a unanimous decision, the newly elected APY Executive Board, which met today in Umuwa, re-elected Mr Singer to lead the Board for another three-year term.

Kieran Roberts, the male representative for Kaltjiti Irintata and Watinuma, was elected as Deputy Chairperson.

Mr Singer expressed his enthusiasm for continuing his work with the Board, focusing on building community capacity, strengthening governance, and promoting Anangu business across the APY Lands.

"I am very happy to work with the new Board on creating new opportunities and taking action that benefits all Anangu," Mr Singer said.

A seasoned leader, Mr Singer has a long history of service, having previously held the Chairperson position for 10 years until January 2015. His reappointment today follows fresh elections conducted by the Electoral Commission of South Australia, which occur every three years.

The APY Executive Board, comprised of 14 members representing the seven electorates within the APY Lands, oversees key matters such as land management, infrastructure, mining, and other community priorities.

The region, covering over 100,000 square kilometres in the remote northwest of South Australia, is home to traditional owners from the Pitjantjatjara, Yankunytjatjara, and Ngaanyatjarra peoples.

The APY was established under the 1981 Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act, which granted Aboriginal people title to their ancestral lands. The Executive Board, as the governing body, is responsible for meeting at least every two months, though it often convenes monthly to address the many issues affecting the APY communities.

Please join us in congratulating Mr Singer and Mr Roberts on their appointments. The APY Executive Board looks forward to continuing its work to advance the interests of all APY communities.

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