Children and Young People (Therapeutic Support Panel) Appointment 2024 (No 1)*

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made under the

Children and Young People Act 2008, Section 501E (Appointment of panel members)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Children and Young People (Therapeutic Support Panel) Appointment 2024 (No 1)*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the commencement of the *Justice* (Age of Criminal Responsibility) Legislation Amendment Act 2023, section 12.

3 Appointment

I appoint Mr David Witham to be a Member of the Therapeutic Support Panel for Children and Young People for a period of 4 years.

In accordance with section 501E (4) of the Children and Young People Act 2008, Mr David Witham is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person and represents the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Mr David Witham is a proud Gunditjmara man from southwest Victoria with strong connections to his Aboriginal family. Mr Witham has over 20 years of experience working specifically with disadvantaged Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people involved in the criminal justice system. Mr Witham holds a Bachelor of Policing (Criminal Justice).

Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA Minister for Children, Youth and Family Services 25 March 2024