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To Whom It May Concern:

Coral Sea Marina Resort is the gateway to the Whitsunday Islands and the iconic Great Barrier Reef. As Australia's 'Marina of the Year' for the past five consecutive years, and one of only three Five Gold Anchor Platinum marinas in the country, our vision is to become a leading international marina resort destination. As such we have a vested interest in ensuring the Whitsundays region continues to develop at pace and in line with our own progress.

The Whitsunday Conservation Council's vision for a Whitsunday Heart of the Reef Discovery Centre is well aligned with our own vision of delivering transformational guest experiences that highlight marine conservation education with the intent of maintaining the irreplaceable natural assets that surround us.

The proposed project will highlight our region's assets while showcasing the region as a globally recognised Great Barrier Reef destination. It will also contribute direct employment opportunities, assisting in the economic recovery of The Whitsundays.

Coral Sea Marina Resort believes the Whitsunday Heart of the Reef Discover Centre will increase visitor length of stay and spend across the region, while also encouraging visitation that may not otherwise happen. Our marina resort guests regularly enquire about onshore experiences, and at present such options are sorely limited.

Coral Sea Marina Resort commends the Whitsunday Conservation Council's initiative in proposing this worthy project and we support the proposal for further discussion and consideration.

Kind Regards,

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