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Tēnā koe Merepeka

Te urunga tū, te urunga tapu
Te mauri tū, te mauri tapu
Te mauri i whiwhia, te mauri i rawea
Te mauri nō hea? Nō runga, nō Rangi Nuku Tū
Tēnei te mauri ka whakapiki, tēnei te mauri ka whakakake
Te mauri o ngā Tupua, te mauri o ngā Atua
Kia puta ake i te whei ao ki te ao mārama
Tihewa mauri ora!

Rārangi maunga ka tū! Rārangi tāngata ka ngaro! Rātou kua riro atu ki te kāpunipunitanga o ngā wairua e moe okioki.

Ko te whānau ora o Te Ika ā Māui tēnā tātou katoa.

Letter of Expectations: Whānau Ora Commissioning 2019-20

I would like to thank Te Pou Matakana for its work in supporting whānau to lift their wellbeing in 2018-19. It is pleasing to see whānau continue to be reached and supported through Whānau Ora to achieve positive improvements in their lives.

I am particularly impressed with the initiative Te Pou Matakana has demonstrated in developing training programmes for Whānau Ora, particularly for Kaiārahi. I consider you have demonstrated important foresight and the ability to strengthen the quality and consistency of Whānau Ora delivery through navigational support, and the funding of innovative initiatives, for which you should be proud.

Looking ahead to 2019-20, I ask that you continue to improve your systems and processes, and commission support to secure the greatest possible positive changes in the lives of whānau. As always, it will be particularly important to continue to strengthen identification of whānau aspirations, lift performance targets used to drive commissioning, and improve the quality of evidence collected to demonstrate the value of Whānau Ora to other agencies across government.

The 2018-19 year was significant for Whānau Ora, with the Whānau Ora Review completed in November 2018, affirming the strengths of the Whānau Ora approach in supporting positive changes for whānau across Aotearoa. The review found many positive examples of whānau being given the tools to improve their lives with Whānau

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Ora support, and highlighted the valuable potential for whānau-centred approaches to be implemented across government. It also highlighted important lessons that can be used to continue strengthening the Whānau Ora approach in the future.

My priorities and expectations for the 2019-20 financial year (2019-20) are set out below. These reflect both the progress made to date as well as the outcomes of the Whānau Ora Review.

Expectations for Whānau Ora for 2019-20 Withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv)

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Improving target setting to better reflect performance trends

In 2019-20, I expect Te Pou Matakana to lift its performance targets to levels that more appropriately reflect its performance trends and the levels of performance achieved to date. Setting strong targets ensures that Te Pou Matakana can more accurately track its performance and ensures that the target setting process is robust. Te Puni Kōkiri can support Te Pou Matakana in setting targets as part of the annual investment planning process.

Annual budget for 2019-20

At this time, the budget for 2019-20 remains unchanged from the current budget for 2018-19 for Te Pou Matakana, summarised as follows: Withheld under section 9(2)(f)(iv)

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Please note that the budget set out above is only indicative and that a final budget is expected to be confirmed by June 2019.

The Government is currently finalising the package of initiatives to be funded through Budget 2019. Should additional Crown funding be allocated to Whānau Ora through Budget 2019, any amount allocated to Te Pou Matakana is expected to be determined by June 2019 and confirmed through variations to the Outcome Agreement with Te Puni Kōkiri.

I thank you again for the contribution you have made to supporting whānau to achieve positive outcomes through Whānau Ora. I look forward to the ongoing success of Te Pou Matakana in 2019-20.

Ngā mihi nui ki a koe.

Nāku noa, nā

Hon Peeni Henare
Minita mō Whānau Ora