11 April 2025

Douglas Shire Council enquiries@douglas.qld.gov.au

To whom it may concern,

We refer to the business application by Angel Developments FNQ PTY Ltd (detailed below) for a development permit for material change of use for a 'bar':

Property Address: MCUI 2025_5729 26/22 Warner Street, PORT DOUGLAS

Applicant Name & Address: Angel Developments FNQ Pty Ltd (Tte), C/-

Planning Plus, Evan Yelavich, PO Box 8046, CAIRNS

Proposed Development: (Bar) Level of Assessment: Impact

Public Notification: y **Planning Documents:**

Date Submitted: 28/02/2025

To Whom It May Concern,

To support the ongoing growth and vitality of our local economy, employment opportunities, and community well-being, it is vital that as a community we embrace innovative developments, that bring lasting value to the area. A thriving hospitality sector is central to this goal, and we believe the proposed venture by Angel Developments is an excellent example of a project that can contribute significantly to Port Douglas on multiple levels.

This exciting, new, upmarket, air-conditioned venue promises to provide not only increased employment and enhanced services but will also boost Port Douglas' profile as a tourist destination. With a focus on quality, modern Australian design, and the signature charm our town is known for, this establishment will offer both locals and visitors an elevated experience that aligns with Port Douglas' identity and future aspirations.

As long-term residents, who reside in the centre of town, we have no concerns regarding the nature of the patrons this venue will attract, nor do we anticipate issues such as noise, disruption, or any negative impact to the surrounding area. On the contrary, we believe it will enrich the already-vibrant Grant Street precinct, complementing existing businesses rather than competing with them. This addition will further support the 'Eat Street' atmosphere for which Grant Street is celebrated, while offering more diverse afternoon and evening

entertainment options—something we've consistently heard as a need from guests of our Airbnb

Importantly, Angela Whittaker, Director of Angel Developments, has a proven track record of business success and community involvement. Through her existing businesses—Angel Construction and Port Douglas Windows and Glass—Angela currently employs 20 locals and actively contributes to the community through sponsorship of local sports teams and other initiatives. Her commitment to the region is clear and longstanding.

We fully support this development and believe it will serve as a valuable addition to the town's offering for locals and tourists alike—particularly during the quieter wet season months.

Should you wish to discuss any of the points raised, please don't hesitate to contact us. Our details are provided above.

Sincerely,

