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PAIR REAPPOINTED TO GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA BOARD

Deputy chair of Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) Emmett Dunne and board member Marika McMahon have been reappointed to the peak body for a further two years.

Minister for Racing Martin Pakula announced the reappointments today, and thanked both board members for their commitment to greyhound racing.

Mr Dunne was appointed to the board in 2016 after a distinguished career as a police officer across four decades, during which time he served as chair of the Australian New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency Integrity Forum.

As GRV deputy chair, Mr Dunne provides leadership and insight in the key areas of integrity and animal welfare, drawing on his experience in law enforcement and ethical standards. A premiership player with the Richmond Football Club in 1980, Mr Dunne also sits on that club's board as vice-president.

Ms McMahon was also first appointed to the GRV board in 2016 and has been a respected member of the legal profession since 1995, working as a family law specialist based in Bendigo.

Her legal background is critical to the board's monitoring and evaluation of its regulatory framework and governance arrangements, and she also brings a regional perspective to the board's decision-making.

Their reappointments follow the appointment earlier this year of Bill Buccilli and Daniel Nugent to the board.

Both of the new appointments have a long association with the greyhound industry, providing valuable input from an industry and participant perspective.

The greyhound racing industry in Victoria generates \$500 million for the Victorian economy each year and helps sustain more than 4,300 full-time-equivalent jobs.

For further information on the GRV board go to grv.org.au/grv-board.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Racing Martin Pakula

"It's great that Emmett Dunne and Marika McMahon have agreed to continue on in their service to greyhound racing; their experience and expertise is invaluable to the code."

"The GRV board has driven significant change and industry improvements, and leaders like Emmett and Marika have an important role to play as the code continues to develop and grow."