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Dear Mr Joyce



The ABC Friends NSW & ACT Northern Suburbs of Sydney Branch (NSoS) wish to thank the Teachers Health Centre for showing ABC TV as the preferred viewing channel in its Surry Hills waiting room.

NSoS ABC Friends Branch represents northern Sydney residents who are passionate about the importance of Australia having a strong, well funded and independent national broadcaster.

As NSoS Convenor I was delighted to discover on a recent visit to the Teachers Health Centre, Surry Hills to find that the ABC TV was being viewed in the waiting room.

As Ita Buttrose AC, OBE, said in her address at the ABC's Ultimo Headquarters for its 90th Anniversary: *"People often underestimate the importance of public broadcasting to democracy. It's a fact, confirmed by European Broadcasting Union research, that in countries where public service media is well-funded and enjoys a high market share, there is more political stability and corruption is under control."* 5 August, 2022

NSoS thanks Teachers Health for its commitment to a strong democracy via its support of the ABC. We hope that other organisations across the country will follow Teachers Health's example and showcase the national broadcaster in their waiting rooms too.

Best ABC wishes

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