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Dear Mayor Hunter

Thank you for your letter regarding the findings of the Select Committee on the River Murray flood event 2022-2023.

I acknowledge the pivotal role Renmark Paringa Council has played in response and recovery from the floods, particularly through the reinstatement of the levee bank system to protect the township of Renmark from rising flood waters.

This outcome was made possible through the Council's strong community engagement and effective coordination across a range of responsibilities, resulting in the protection of the town with minimal impact to infrastructure and public safety. Council is to be commended for this responsive intervention, as well as the ongoing work to mitigate future events.

The Renmark Wharf redevelopment has not only future-proofed infrastructure for the next 50 years but also created a place-based attraction for the township of Renmark and the broader Riverland. Similarly, the 21st Street Bridge upgrade builds resilience, protecting this vital piece of connective infrastructure against further inundations.

I also acknowledge that resilience and recovery depend on the wellbeing of the community. The Council's continued efforts to expand mental health services in the region are commendable. With the transformative Jane Eliza development now progressing, the community is well positioned to move forward. Its potential to expand residential land supply and drive economic growth makes it one of the most consequential projects in the region to date.

Thank you again for your letter and for highlighting the Council's important contributions to your regional community.

Yours sincerely

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