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POSITION STATEMENT

INTEGRATED DISABILITY ACTION INC

### ACCESSIBILITY

We, the Management Committee of Integrated Disability Action Inc, advocate for the rights of people living with disability in the Northern Territory.

We believe that a commitment must be made by all levels of Government, including Northern Territory Government, Local Government Councils and Shires, Community Groups, Businesses and community members to ensure an accessible community for all.

The experiences of people with disabilities and their families in Australia has been well documented by the Department of Social Services. Key findings include Australians being excluded, lacking housing, employment and education options, and unable to participate meaningfully in many areas of community life.

The document is available publicly here:

<https://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/disability-and-carers/publications-articles/policy-research/shut-out-the-experience-of-people-with-disabilities-and-their-families-in-australia?HTML>

#### **IDA advocates for the following:**

- Enforcement of the Australian Building Access standards for new public buildings and renovations of existing buildings.
- Policy development by the Northern Territory Government to include any new Territory Housing building to be accessible from design stage.
- Policy development by the Northern Territory Government to include inclusion and accessibility training for all staff in Territory Housing.
- Upholding accessibility for people with disability in public transport and private transport companies including taxis
- Better support including professional development for educational professionals and schools to meet the needs of children with disability.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sue Shearer'.

Sue Shearer  
CHAIR