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CHANGES AT THE INSURANCE COMMISSION

The Insurance Commission of Western Australia will see a changing of the guard with the announced retirement of Frank Cooper, Chair of the Board of Commissioners. First appointed to the Commission in 2012, Frank Cooper has led the Board as Chair for a decade.

The Chief Executive of the Insurance Commission, Rod Whithear, expressed his gratitude to Frank Cooper,

"I thank Frank for his wise and generous counsel over the last ten years. He has been at the helm to oversee our improved financial performance and important operational changes. On behalf of everyone at the Insurance Commission, I wish him well."

Following this news, the Governor of Western Australia, on the recommendation of the Premier and Cabinet, has appointed Mr Rob Bransby as the new Chair of the Insurance Commission. Rob Bransby was first appointed to the Board in 2015 and has served as Deputy Chair since 2021.

As the former Chief Executive of HBF, and with over 30 years of experience in the financial and insurance industries, Mr Bransby brings considerable expertise to the role as Chair.

Welcomed along with the new Chair, the Western Australian Government has also appointed current Commissioner Julie Keene as Deputy Chair, reappointed current Commissioner Andrea Hall, and Hon. Ben Morton has been appointed as a new Commissioner to join the board. Commissioners Emma Scotney and Alan Rees, with Chief Executive *ex officio* Rod Whithear, remain on the Board of Commissioners.

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