12 December 2021

Isabelle Lake Memorial Fund & Bequest Subcommittee

C/O WAAC

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WEST PERTH, WA 6872

Dear Subcommittee,

I am writing in support of Wanda who has been a visitor at Freedom Centre since 2020.

Wanda requires financial assistance towards the cost of changing her legal name, which she is unable to afford.

Wanda lives with her parents. She is transgender and her family are unsupportive of her, making her home a hostile environment. Her full-time university commitments and her transition have made it difficult for her to get a job, so she is on Centrelink.

The money she receives from Centrelink is barely enough to cover her food and public transport needs, as her parents do not financially support her. As such, she is unable to save for most transition related costs.

If Wanda is able to change her legal name, she will experience less anxiety when presenting legal documents which currently have her dead name (previous name) on them. Access to gender affirming legal procedures such as this will positively contribute to Wanda’s mental health by allowing her to be legally acknowledged as who she really is.

I fully support Wanda’s application and thank you in advance for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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