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MEDIA RELEASE

AFPA SUPPORTS REFORM TO BAN GAMBLING ADVERTISING ON TELEVISION

The Australian Federal Police Association (AFPA) wholeheartedly supports the ‘Bets Off. Game On.’ campaign launched by ACT member for Murrumbidgee, Dr Marisa Paterson MLA, which advocates banning gambling advertising on television.

AFPA President Alex Caruana said the campaign was well overdue, as it was most often police officers who responded to family and domestic issues caused or exacerbated by gambling.

“There is evidence that gambling can cause issues in family environments, just like addictions to alcohol, tobacco, and illicit substances can.

“If supporting this campaign can lead to a ban on gambling advertising on television and ultimately prevent just one family violence incident from occurring; then it’s something that the Australian Government needs to strongly consider,” Mr Caruana said.

The AFPA strongly encourages all Australians to support the ‘Bets Off. Game On’ campaign. Further details can be found at <https://marisapaterson.com.au/issues/bets-off-game-on/>.

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