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MEDIA RELEASE

World Environment Day, 5th June 2017

Householder's Options to Protect the Environment (HOPE) Inc. (Australia) would like to invite everyone to join with them to celebrate World Environment Day on 5th June 2017. World Environment Day is the largest annual event promoting positive environmental action.

This year's theme 'Connecting People to Nature' – encourages us to get outdoors and into nature, to appreciate its beauty and importance, and to protect the planet that we all share.

In our fast-paced, highly-connected society many of us have become increasingly disengaged with nature, forgetting that we depend on it for our very existence. Biodiversity provides us with the air that we breathe, water that we drink and the food that we eat. Despite this, our actions are pushing biodiversity and ecosystems to the edge. Current levels of consumption, combined with a predicted increase in global population to 9.7 billion by 2050 (UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs), means we will be making ever increasing demands on our planet's finite resources.

World Environment Day is about individual actions, combined into the collective power of billions of people, taking positive actions to help protect our planet. By being more thoughtful in our choices, doing more with less, minimising pollution and using renewable products, small changes can make a huge difference.

World Environment Day is an opportunity to connect with groups like HOPE Inc. to learn more about living in a more sustainable way. For more information check out HOPE Inc.'s webpage at (<http://www.hopeaustralia.org.au/>).

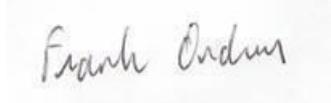
World Environment Day is an initiative of the United Nations Environmental Program. Visit World Environment Day (<http://worldenvironmentday.global/>) for more information.

In Queensland, HOPE Inc., along with many other groups, will be attending the Logan Eco Action Festival (LEAF) at the Griffith University - Logan Campus on 28th May. LEAF is a fun, interactive and educational event that is designed to generate awareness about environmental issues, and through education, empower people to make a positive change.

Further information about LEAF can be found here

<http://www.logan.qld.gov.au/environment-water-and-waste/environmental-programs/logan-eco-action-festival-leaf> .

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Ondrus". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured background.

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(Media release written by Sharon Polkinghorne)