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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Unique Water Supply Aligns with Unique Health Study**

At a recent meeting of the Board members voted unanimously to align Busselton Water with the Busselton Health Study.

Board Chairman, David Reid said “the Busselton Health Study is considered as unique as Busselton’s water supply. There is a great deal of synergy between the life giving properties of our high quality water supply and the life saving results from the extraordinary medical research”.

For 40 years the Busselton Health Study has provided unique data that has informed public health, genetic and clinical research. The Foundation has attracted worldwide recognition, commendation and collaboration.

The project not only benefits the Busselton population now but the medical secrets that continue to be unlocked will improve the health of Busselton residents, all Australians and people generally into the future.

“In order to continue collecting this valuable data and to continue its analysis, the Foundation needs considerable levels of support and Busselton Water aims to assist by helping to raise the profile of the study”, said Mr Reid.

“To commemorate the alignment of the two organisations Busselton Water has offered to fund the purchase of a new drinking water fountain for Mitchell Park, suitable for disabled access, as part of the Shire’s CBD initiatives. A link will be placed on our website to the study and fund raising activities will be looked at to further support the study”, Mr Reid said.

Busselton Population Medical Research Foundation Chairman Professor Bill Musk welcomes this alignment. “As custodians of important life giving resources both the Busselton Health Study and Busselton Water share a common vision in maintaining and improving the health of the Busselton community. We welcome this partnership between two vital and important community assets and this support will assist towards establishing a framework that will ensure further population-based health studies can continue in Busselton and at the same time allow us to tap into the reservoir of health information collected over 40 years”.

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