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Media Release HAVE YOUR SAY ON A PLACE NAME IN BLACKTOWN LGA

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The Geographical Names Board is seeking community feedback on a proposal by Blacktown City Council to name a reserve in the suburb of Schofields as Galungara Park.

Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood said Galungara is also name of the adjoining public school and is from the Dharug language.

The reserve is 10 hectares in area and is located between Farmland Drive and Jerralong Drive in the suburb of Schofields.

Galungara Park is named after the Grass Tree, which is an ancient tree from the Dreaming. It translates to 'the stem or the flower stalk' of the Grass Tree.

GNB is seeking feedback to gauge community sentiment for the proposed name. Suggestions for alternative names is not being sought at this time.

Details of the proposal can be viewed and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board's website: www.GNB.nsw.gov.au

Alternatively, written submissions may be mailed to the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW 2795.

The closing date for submissions is 21 May 2023.

Quotes to be attributed to Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood

"Through place naming, communities have the opportunity to unlock past stories, preserve traditions, reawaken language and provide a sense of belonging and identity."

"We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name."

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