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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### TROPIC WINGS ANNOUNCES PURCHASE OF CORAL REEF COACHES

CaPTA Group is excited to announce that Tropic Wings Cairns Tours and Charters will purchase Coral Reef Coaches, effective this Thursday, 5th July 2018.

Coral Reef Coaches, a family business that had been transporting guests in the Tropical North Queensland area for more than 40 years, provides services to the Cairns and Port Douglas area through charters, shuttles and school runs.

Tropic Wings, as part of the Woodward family's CaPTA Group, will take over Coral Reef Coaches' 19 vehicles, and rent the existing Mossman Wilson Street Depot.

Services will be continued as normal with minimal interruptions, with schedules remaining the same and any pre-purchased tickets being honored. School bus tickets will be available for purchase at the Wildlife Habitat Sanctuary.

Tropic Wings will also look to invest further in the future by obtaining new vehicles and continuing to improve services provided. The purchase of Coral Reef Coaches will see the fleet of vehicles owned by Tropic Wings increase to a total of 40 vehicles.

CaPTA Managing Director, Peter Woodward said the expansion into Coral Reef Coaches will complement the popular CaPTA Group-owned Wildlife Habitat Sanctuary.

"We're thrilled by this acquisition, as it will tie in with some exciting developments set to occur at Wildlife Habitat," he said. "Furthermore, it will round out the 'Port Douglas Trips' side of 'Cairns and Port Trips & Attractions'."

Pia Mckeown, Owner/Manager of Coral Reef Coaches said they have wanted to concentrate on other business interests and have found the right buyers for the coach company.

"We have found another family business that can continue to invest and provide a high level of services throughout the region."



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Coral Reef Coaches is a family business that has been operating since 1978. It has a fleet of 19 Vehicles servicing the Mossman, Port Douglas, Cape Tribulation and Cairns areas for Private and Group Charters. It also operates the Shuttle bus runs within Port Douglas from the City Centre to Wildlife Habitat, as well as 4 school runs throughout the region.

CaPTA Group is locally owned and operated by the Woodward family of Cairns, consisting of Rainforestation Nature Park, Tropic Wings Coach Tours, Jungle Tours & Trekking, The Wildlife Habitat, Cairns ZOOM and Wildlife Dome, Australian Butterfly Sanctuary, ABC Sales & Maintenance and Careers Training Centre.

For more information or to arrange an interview, please contact CaPTA Group Personal Assistant to the Board of Directors, Julie Phillips on (07) 4041 9492.

