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CONSTRUCTION WORK TO COMMENCE ON \$100 MILLION

STATE AQUATIC CENTRE & HEALTH CARE COMPLEX

Construction work on the FINA international standard, world-class State Aquatic Centre – which will be one of the most sophisticated, technically-advanced, competition and training venues in the Southern Hemisphere when completed at Oaklands Park - will commence immediately.

This follows today's announcement by the State Government that planning approval has been granted for the project.

Construction will also start on the GP Plus Health Care Centre – which includes an innovative new health care model, multi storey car-park and a public pedestrian plaza – as part of the overall development at the Domain precinct, on the corner of Morphett and Diagonal roads.

The total value of the State Aquatic Centre and GP Plus Health Care Centre development is more than \$100 million.

Candetti was selected by the State Government as Design and Construct contractor for the project.

Candetti celebrated the launch of the State Aquatic Centre and GP Plus Health Care Centre project at Marion with a groundbreaking event on site today (Friday, 16th October). The launch also unveiled the new generation of the successful Candetti brand.

More than 250 invited guests attended the event, including Federal Sports Minister, Kate Ellis, State Minister for Infrastructure, Pat Conlon, State Minister for Sport and Recreation, Michael Wright, and City of Marion mayor, Felicity-ann Lewis.

"Today marks an important milestone in the history of our company," Candetti Constructions Executive Chairman, Mr Alex Candetti, said on site today.

"This launch is the culmination of 10 years of work by federal, state and local government partners for the realisation of this significant infrastructure project," he said.

"When completed, the project will be a successful combination of international standard aquatic, health and community facilities.

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“We would like to acknowledge the people who have remained committed to the project, people who have worked tirelessly over the past 10 years in commitment to this project and are here today in support of this launch.

“Without their hard work, commitment and tenacity, this project would not have been possible.”

“We are glad to be working with international consultancy firms on this project, and the Candetti design team - strongly supported by the local offices of Woodhead as lead architects, together with Peddle Thorp Architects, Aecom and GHD - will ensure this project is designed to be recognised locally, nationally and internationally.”

“Candetti is proud of its team and local history that over the past 50 years has built this family business into a recognised brand.

“Our brand now has established national recognition for delivery of projects to both corporate and federal clients.

“Like the pool that Candetti built at Woomera – in South Australia's Far North - in the 1960s, this brand is a symbol of our Company's identity and continued success.

“We have continued with a culture of innovation since our inception, and have built our business on a history of searching and implementing global solutions for local benefit.”

The State Aquatic Centre and GP Plus Health Care Centre development has been funded by the Federal and State governments, and the City of Marion.

The international-standard State Aquatic Centre – which will comply with standards set by FINA, the international governing body for swimming, diving and water polo - has been designed to provide world-leading facilities for South Australia's elite swimming, diving and water sports athletes, while also providing a state-of-the-art venue for recreational aquatic activities.

The purpose-built GP Plus Health Care Centre will create a new model of health care for the southern suburbs, accommodating a range of health specialists including doctors, nurses, dentists, psychologists, social workers and health workers.

The project also includes a multi storey car parking facility and a public plaza that integrates all of these elements into the community

About Candetti Constructions

Keswick-based Candetti Constructions was formed in 1958 as a South Australian owned, commercial construction company

It has projects and offices in South Australia, Victoria and Queensland, and employs over 100 people directly, and thousands more through its diverse construction projects.

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