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## Berry Street Apology to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities

On behalf of Berry Street Victoria, we apologise to the Traditional Owners of the land, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia, for the injustices suffered as a result of European settlement and the forced removal of children from their families, communities and land. We deeply regret the effect that the policies and practices of the past had, and continue to have, on the identity, dignity and spirit of Indigenous Australians.

We also affirm our desire for reconciliation and for a better future for all people. We are committed to building a future that is respectful of, values and embraces the heritage and culture of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and provides justice and equality for all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mary Clark".

Mary Clark  
President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sandie de Wolf".

Sandie de Wolf AM  
Chief Executive Officer

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