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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### **Free Water safety DVD available from Tony Windsor MP**

A free water safety DVD produced by water safety advocate Laurie Lawrence and the Federal Department of Health and Ageing is now available through the offices of Tony Windsor MP, Member for New England.

The *Living with Water DVD – a Comprehensive Guide to Water Safety for Under 5's* is part of the Federal Government's \$4.2 million *Saving Lives in the Water* measure to support water safety initiatives for young children.

“Tragically, the DVD was produced after 32 children under the age of five drowned last year, with 19 deaths in swimming pools.

“It promotes water safety messages for newborns, crawlers, toddlers and pre-schoolers.

“It includes essential information about familiarising children with water, eliminating water hazards, pool fencing, constant supervision of children around water and learning cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) skills.

“This DVD will help remind parents and carers to be vigilant supervising their children around water and to review the adequacy of safety measures like pool fences. Water safety is everyone's responsibility.

“You never know when you might be in a position to save a life,” Mr Windsor said.

The *Living with Water DVD* is available by contacting Mr Windsor's office on Ph 1300 301 839 or by dropping in to either the Tamworth or Inverell office to receive a free copy of this valuable resource.

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