Land Tax (Non-independent) Exemption 2019

Notifiable instrument NI2019-30

made under the

Land Tax Act 2004, section 34 (1) (Exemption from land tax)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Land Tax (Non-independent) Exemption 2019*.

2 Commencement

This instrument is taken to have commenced on 1 July 2018.

3 Definitions

In this instrument:

Approved mental health facility and approved community care facility have the same meaning as in the Mental Health Act 2015 (ACT).

Nursing home has the same meaning as under section 10 of the *Land Tax Act* 2004.

Residential unit means a unit that is residential land.

4 Application

This instrument applies to a person (**affected owner**) under the *Land Tax Act 2004* who is or was the owner of a parcel of residential land or a residential unit (**premises**) if the Commissioner is satisfied that:

- (a) the affected owner has lost the ability to live independently; and
- (b) the affected owner resides:
 - i. at a hospital or hospice as a patient; or
 - ii. at an approved mental health facility or approved community care facility; or
 - iii. at a nursing home; or

- iv. with another person (a **carer**) who is eligible for a carer payment under the *Social Security Act 1991* (Cwlth) because the carer provides care to the person; and
- (c) the premises were used and occupied as the affected owner's principal place of residence immediately prior to the circumstances specified in paragraphs (a) and (b); and
- (d) the premises are unoccupied for the duration of the period mentioned in section 5.

5 Exemption of Land Tax

I exempt an affected owner from the payment of the land tax owing in relation to the premises for the period:

- a) commencing the date the affected owner first satisfies the conditions set out in section 4 (a)-(c) (the **commencement date**); and
- b) ending the earliest of:
 - i. 2 years after the commencement date; or
 - ii. if the affected owner sells the premises, the date the affected owner ceases to be the owner; or
 - iii. if the premises are occupied, the date the premises are occupied.

Andrew Barr MLA Treasurer 22 January 2019