



10<sup>th</sup> August 2017

Waikato River Authority  
21 Rostrevor Street  
**HAMILTON**

Tena koe,

**LETTER OF SUPPORT: WAIKATO 100**

Waikato-Tainui supports the Waikato 100 event's funding and have actively been involved in the event's development.

We see value in increasing the relationship of the wider community, not just maori with the river, in particular those sporting events that also improve the health and wellbeing of the people.

The more people who use and connect to the river, the more these people will look after the river.

The event places great awareness on the importance of the river to the community, the need to improve its health and wellbeing and the special cultural and spiritual relationships tangata whenua have with the river.

The traditional customary activity of waka ama has also been included in the event.

Nga mihi,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Manukau".

Tim Manukau

**MANAGER – ENVIRONMENT  
WAIKATO-TAINUI**