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JOEL BOOJERS: Swinburne University proudly stands on the lands of the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation. We honour Wurundjeri Elders past and present. This profound connection to country, culture, and community is at the very heart of Swinburne's Indigenous Student Charter.

SPEAKER 1: Swinburne's Indigenous Student Charter is more than words. It's a commitment and a promise, a commitment to valuing, respecting, and empowering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

SPEAKER 2: It's about creating a space where we walk in two worlds and confidently thrive, where our cultural identity is celebrated and where our voice shapes our own journey.

SPEAKER 3: The Indigenous Student Charter is built on four powerful principles. Principle one is Being and Becoming. We recognise the unique knowledge and resilience you bring. Swinburne is committed to supporting your educational journey in ways that honour your cultural identity, while empowering you to set your own goals and aspirations.

SPEAKER 4: The second principle is Being and Belonging. We strive to create a community where we feel connected, included, and proud. Culturally safe spaces, both physical and online, are here to celebrate our achievements and ensure you feel a profound sense of belonging.

SPEAKER 5: The third principle is Cultural Responsiveness. Swinburne is dedicated to amplifying Indigenous knowledges and perspectives across learning, teaching, and assessment. We challenge racism and bias, ensuring our environment is inclusive, respectful, and supportive of your unique needs.

SPEAKER 6: The fourth principle is Indigenous Perspectives and Standpoints. We are committed to decolonising practises by embedding Indigenous worldviews into our curriculum. This means creating opportunities for us to share our cultural knowledge while addressing intergenerational trauma and building resilience.

SPEAKER 1: This is our Indigenous Student Charter.

SPEAKER 3: Everyone's charter.

SPEAKER 2: It's a call to action for the entire Swinburne community,

SPEAKER 4: students, staff, and the wider community,

SPEAKER 5: to walk together, listen deeply,

SPEAKER 6: and grow stronger.

JOEL BOOJERS: If you want to learn more about how the Indigenous Student Charter can shape and inspire your work, visit the Moondani Toombadool Centre or access the Charter online. Together, let's build a future where every Indigenous student is empowered to succeed.

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