



Press Release

“The Voice premieres Election Documentary”

Wednesday 15th March, 2023 – “Power of The Vote”, a documentary film on the 2022 National General Elections produced by The Voice Inc (“TVI”) was successfully premiered at the Paradise Cinema in Port Moresby on Tuesday the 14th of March. The premiere of the documentary was well attended by Government Leaders, Civil Society Organizations, Community Groups, and coalition partners of TVI. The Power of the Vote documentary film is an installment in the Youth Tok series produced by TVI, and focuses on highlighting issues faced by citizens as they engaged in the electoral process during the 2022 National General Elections last year.

Executive Director of TVI, Maliwai Sasingian, thanked all whom were present at the premiere screening and shared that TVI was committed to calling for transparency and accountability within the electoral processes. The documentary screening was one way to maintain ongoing dialogue by the public to demand more action on the electoral reform process. Ms Sasingian also welcomed the consultations being carried out by the Special Parliamentary Committee on the 2022 National General Elections and stated that electoral reforms were urgently needed in order to safeguard democracy.

“Building on today’s premiere of Power of the Vote, TVI plans to roll out an awareness campaign on elections reform. This campaign will include the dissemination of key messages through TVI social media platforms, creation of election related modules on TVI’s online platform CleanGen Academy, touring of secondary schools to screen the documentary and conduct a guided conversation on elections and how young people can ensure that they are prepared for 2027”, Sasingian shared.

Also present at the event was Hon. Allan Bird, Governor for East Sepik Province and Chairman of the Special Parliamentary Committee on the 2022 National General Elections, who reaffirmed that the committee was willing to work closely with all stakeholders to ensure that electoral processes are improved before the 2027 National General Elections.

TVI welcomes youth organizations, community groups and other youth stakeholders to come forward and join its Youth Coalition which will be instrumental in ensuring that all concerns in regards to electoral reforms will be communicated to the relevant authorities. Learn more about the work of TVI at www.thevoicepng.org.

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