WHAT'S YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION?

The first recorded use of the phrase 'new year resolution' appeared in a Boston newspaper in 1813 and the world has been making - and breaking - these self-improving pledges ever since.

Among the most popular resolutions are to eat healthier, do more exercise, read more and learn a new language. Unfortunately, despite our good intentions, most of us have lost all resolve by 10 January. But your home can help, whether it's a property with a pool or gym to keep you active or a well-equipped kitchen to encourage more healthy home cooking.

If in the New Year you want to resolve to save for a deposit, buy a new home or purchase an investment property, here are some tips to consider helping in achieving your 2025 property goals.

Tips for buyers:

- 1. Evaluate your financial situation and set a realistic budget
- 2. Ensure you have a deposit which is at least 20% of the property's value to avoid private mortgage insurance (PMI)
- 3. Get your ducks in a row before you make an offer:
 - i. Lending pre-approval
 - ii. Conveyancer
 - iii. Building and pest inspector
- 4. Factor in that interest rates may rise

Tips for sellers:

- 1. If you're simultaneously selling and buying, start thinking now about the future of your current mortgage
- 2. Remember that even though you may sell your home with positive equity, your new home will almost certainly demand a high price too Tips for investors:

- You may want to consider buying sooner rather than later
- 2. Know your budget and understand your cash flow
- 3. Consider whether the property will be positively or negatively geared 4. Consider the tax implications
- 5. Factor in ongoing costs such as maintenance,
- insurance, and body corp fees If you need any assistance with your New Years'

resolution relating to property, please don't hesitate to contact us. TESTIMONIALS

GREAT PERSONALITY / SERVICE Roger & Monica provided great customer service and

assisted with anything I required. Roger helped me buy the beaut home we are in now. If I decide to sell at some stage down the track, I would do so via Roger & would recommend them to anyone

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