Australian National Flag Day Notice of Motion – Parliament of Tasmania

August 2018

Mr Guy Barnett MP [Member for Lyons] to move —That the House of Assembly:-

- (1) Notes that Monday, 3 September, is Australian National Flag Day, the annual day specifically dedicated to celebrating our national flag;
- (2) Further notes that Australian National Flag Day was officially established in 1996 by the proclamation of the former Governor-General Sir William Deane and celebrates the first time the flag was flown on 3 September 1901 over the dome of the Exhibition Building in Melbourne when then Prime Minister Edmund Barton announced the winners of a competition to design a flag for Australia;
- (3) Acknowledges the Australian National Flag as Australia's foremost national symbol and a unifying and powerful expression of Australian identity;
- (4) Notes that Australian National Flag Day provides all Australians with an opportunity to reflect with pride and gratitude upon the achievements and qualities of this great nation since Federation;
- (5) Acknowledges the sterling work of the Australian National Flag Association in promoting and protecting our national symbol, whose work locally is led by Mr Reg Watson and ably supported by patron the Hon Elise Archer MP, Speaker of the House of Assembly;
- (6) Congratulates all individuals, community organisations, local authorities, businesses and schools across Tasmania that celebrated Australian National Flag Day by conducting flag-raising ceremonies and by flying or displaying the National Flag.

(30 August 2018)