

MND and the Big Freeze 2 Notice of Motion – Parliament of Tasmania 16 June 2016

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

- (1) Notes that Motor Neurone Disease affects over 400,000 people around the world and takes the life of over 100,000 people globally each year, including more than 500 Australians;
- (2) Further notes that an estimated 1,900 Australians are living with MND, including more than 20 Tasmanians;
- (3) Notes that MND Australia has officially launched its first Deloitte access Economics Report on the Economic Analysis of Motor Neurone Disease in Australia, the Report reveals the total cost of MND in Australia was \$2.37 billion in 2015, which equates to \$1.1 million per person;
- (4) Notes that on the Queen's Birthday holiday "The Big Freeze at the G", coordinated by the Cure for MND Foundation, saw some of Australia's well known football and media personalities take on the freeze challenge for MND, which has so far raised over \$2.8 million;
- (5) Thanks Neale Daniher, football great and former Essendon and Melbourne player as well as coach of Melbourne Football Club from 1998 to 2007, for his courage in living with MND and supporting fundraising efforts for research and advocacy;
- (6) Further notes that Minister for Health, the Honourable Sussan Ley MP announced the Federal Government will match monies raised for the Big Freeze 2 campaign;
- (7) Recognises that, 21 June 2016, is Motor Neurone Disease (MND) Global Day, a global day of recognition for Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and Motor Neurone Disease (MND)—a disease that affects every country on the globe;
- (8) Congratulates and thanks both MND Australia and MND Tasmania, who for over twenty one years, have proved an effective advocate, promoted optimal care and support options for those living with MND and tirelessly raised funds for research into the cause and, ultimately, cure for MND.

