Legacy Week

Notice of Motion – Parliament of Tasmania

August 2018

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

- (1) Recognises that from Sunday 2 September to Saturday 8 September 2018 will be Legacy Week;
- (2) Notes that this week, which was first held in 1942, is the annual national appeal of Legacy, the nation's primary charity providing services to Australian families suffering after the incapacitation or death of a spouse or parent, during or after their defence force service;
- (3) Further notes that funds raised during Legacy Week, with its iconic badges, go to helping Legacy care for around 58,000 widows and around 2,000 children and disabled dependants throughout Australia, including 2,100 in Tasmania, comprised of 1,100 cared for by Legacy (Launceston) and 1,000 by Legacy (Hobart);
- (4) Notes that funds raised assist Legacy in providing essential services including counselling, special housing, medical, advocacy and social support to Australian families and also help assist the education of the children of our deceased veterans through contributions to school fees and resources and the hosting of recreational activities to grow their self-confidence;
- (5) Acknowledges that Legacy Australia grew out of the Remembrance Club, formed in Hobart in 1923 by one of the nation's foremost First World War heroes, Tasmanian Major-General Sir John Gellibrand KCB DSO and Bar—a fact that Tasmanians can be particularly proud of; and
- (6) Congratulates the staff, Legatees and volunteers of Legacy—including the President of Legacy (Hobart), Mr Alec Young, Friends of Hobart Legacy and the President of Legacy (Launceston), Mr Kevin Evorall—for their tireless efforts in supporting the families of our incapacitated and deceased veterans.