

PRIME MINISTER

Your Majesty

On behalf of the Government and the people of Australia, I extend my condolences to you on the death of Her Majesty The Queen.

Seventy years as Sovereign is a towering record. Yet what will always stand tallest in our hearts and our memories is the commitment and spirit of service that The Queen brought to her role, and the pride and sense of unity that she engendered.

As a leader, philanthropist, and servant of the public, The Queen demonstrated extraordinary devotion to the United Kingdom, to Australia and to every member of the Commonwealth family. Those who benefitted from her work over the decades span the globe, and she has been a familiar, trusted and dignified presence for as long as most remember.

The Queen will always have a special place in the hearts of Australians. Whether she was here among us during one of her many visits, or simply letting us know that we were in her thoughts, she was an enduring presence in our lives. She celebrated our good times, and stood with us in our bad times, bringing sympathy and comfort when it was so badly needed.

The Queen's was a life that was both long and, by any measure, extraordinarily well lived. Your pride in her accomplishments and in the example she leaves to all who follow in her stead must be profound.

On behalf of all Australians, I express my gratitude for the service you will provide to our nation as King. Over many decades, you have demonstrated a deep affection for and an outstanding commitment to the people of our nation, and we are fortunate you will remain an integral part of our national story.

The Queen was always there for Australians in our times of loss. May you draw some solace from knowing that our hearts are with you in your time of loss that is so personal.

My deepest sympathies to you and the Royal Family on the occasion of this sad bereavement.

Yours sincerely

ANTHONY ALBANESE



PRIME MINISTERThe Hon Anthony Albanese MP

Your Majesty,

On the occasion of your Coronation, it is my very great pleasure to offer you and Her Majesty Queen Camilla the congratulations and good wishes of the people of Australia.

Along with others in our family of realms, we mourned the passing of your late mother, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Her 70-year reign spanned more than half our history as a federated nation. Few of us knew a world without her.

As you take up the duties she so faithfully and steadfastly fulfilled, Australia's respect and regard for you, your family, and the principles you have pledged to uphold, remains firm. We welcome your commitment to the institutions of democracy and the values of freedom and responsibility that underpin them. We honour the intention you and Queen Camilla so clearly have of serving the people of the United Kingdom and of the wider Commonwealth with energy, integrity, empathy, and love.

We also cherish the relationship which you personally have with our country, having spent time here during your school years, and having visited many times since. We look forward to welcoming you to our shores once again.

When Your Majesty's great-grandfather, King George V, ascended the throne on 9 May 1910, Australia's Parliament sent him their earnest prayer that his reign 'may be memorable in human progress, and marked by peace among the nations of the world.' Though our lives in 2023 could not be more different from the early years of the last century, our sentiments today are the same.

On behalf of all Australians, I send our warmest congratulations and sincere hopes as your reign begins. May it be a prosperous one, and may it be marked by peace and progress.

His Majesty The King

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On behalf of the Australian people, I send my sincere wishes for Your full and speedy recovery. Our thoughts are with You and Your family at this time.

From birth and boyhood until today, You have found a place in the hearts of Australians and have always reached out to us in our country's toughest moments. Your commitment to the progress and prosperity of our nation comes from a deep understanding of the hopes and aspirations of our people.

Australia celebrated Your Coronation in 2023 as a new chapter in Your relationship with our nation. As Monarch, and a compassionate and thoughtful friend of Australia, Your Majesty inspires our esteem and affection.

We keenly anticipate Your return to public-facing duties, and when health and strength return we look forward to welcoming You and Her Majesty The Queen to Australia.

His Majesty The King