



Speech By  
**Hon. Anastacia Palaszczuk**


**MEMBER FOR INALA**

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## **MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS**

### **Queensland Greats Awards**

 **Hon. A PALASZCZUK** (Inala—ALP) (Premier and Minister for the Arts) (9.42 am): On Sunday night I had the opportunity to thank Queensland greats past and present as part of the 2016 Queensland Greats Awards. The awards recognised a range of people and organisations for their service to our community and their actions that have made Queensland a better place. I acknowledge that the Leader of the Opposition, Tim Nicholls, also attended this fantastic event.

Recipients included: former Queensland and Australian cricket great Allan Border; former Governor and Governor-General as well as domestic violence advocate Quentin Bryce; Queensland Youth Orchestra founder and director John Curro; Indigenous Rugby Union legend and leading barrister Lloyd McDermott; Rugby League royalty Mal Meninga; and the RSPCA Queensland. Former Townsville deputy mayor George Vivian Roberts was posthumously recognised for a range of work, including his role in overseeing the construction of James Cook University, which ultimately transformed Townsville.

I congratulate all recipients on the awards the 2016 Queensland Greats have received as part of Queensland Week celebrations. Unfortunately, there were only seven awards that could be handed out. I think all members of this House would agree that there are great Queenslanders in each of our communities. I would like to thank those Queenslanders who work hard to make their communities a better place and often do so with little or no public recognition.