



Speech By  
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## **MOTION OF CONDOLENCE**

**Mackenroth, Hon. TM**

 **Ms PEASE** (Lytton—ALP) (10.29 am): I rise today to speak to this condolence motion of the Hon. Terry Mackenroth, and I would like to begin by paying my respects to Mary and his family who are with us today. There is no doubt that Terry Mackenroth has left his mark on Queensland, and I acknowledge the previous contributions by my colleagues. Terry left his mark as a husband, father, grandfather, community worker, politician, a true believer, a statesman and a friend to many. Whilst I did not work with Terry, I took the opportunity to speak to some of his friends and colleagues who were very honoured to be asked to share some words and their memories of Terry—friends like Dave Westlake, Paul Lucas, Terry Kempnich and Paul Keene. They all said that Terry's involvement with the Clem Jones Centre, with its 22 sporting and community clubs, is legendary. He was a president of the association from 1993 until his passing.

Terry left his mark on the clubs and, in particular, the Mayfield Netball Club. Terry saw and encouraged the potential in each and every child he met, letting them see the opportunities that were available to them. Terry was known for his loyalty. He had a unique ability to always find a pathway that ensured he remained loyal to his guiding principles and ideals. He was, above all, loyal to his family—loyal and protective. Political life can be so demanding on families, and to strike that balance where family can be part of his journey he used his loyalty to his family as his guide.

He was loyal to Queensland and all of the governments that he was part of. He was loyal to the Australian Labor Party, the people who worked for him across his many ministerial roles and to the community he served for so many years. Many of the people he worked with remain his friends today. He gave loyalty and it was given back to him in abundance.

Above all, Terry was loyal to his core principles. He started his journey as a politician based on his passion for the community. From his early years he was actively and passionately involved in his local communities, whether that be as a political representative, an advocate for those most in need, as a coach of the local netball team, a player for east Carina Rugby League or as chairman of the board.

He never tired of this commitment and involvement and remained active in building and delivering for the community. He was never too busy to offer advice if asked. What an amazing human being. He was loved and will be missed by many. I thank Mary and his family for sharing him with Queensland. Mary, we are a better state and society because of him and your influence.