



Speech By  
**Hon. Anastacia Palaszczuk**

**MEMBER FOR INALA**

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## MOTION OF CONDOLENCE

### Perrett, Mr TJ



**Hon. A PALASZCZUK** (Inala—ALP) (Premier and Minister for the Olympics) (9.34 am): I move—

1. That this House desires to place on record its appreciation of the services rendered to this state by the late Trevor John Perrett, a former member of the parliament of Queensland and minister of the state.
2. That Mr Speaker be requested to convey to the family of the deceased gentleman the above resolution, together with an expression of the sympathy and sorrow of the members of the parliament of Queensland, in the loss they have sustained.

Trevor Perrett was born in Kingaroy in 1941 and was educated at the Boobie State School. After his schooling, Mr Perrett worked as a grazier on the family property, Mount Hope. It was a property developed by his grandfather and one which Mr Perrett was to later acquire. He was a councillor with the Cattlemen's Union of Australia and was a member of the Rural Fire Board and president of the South Burnett Show Society.

In December 1987, Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen resigned as Premier and as the member for Barambah. A by-election was held in April 1988 which Mr Perrett contested for the Citizens Electoral Council. He won the seat on preferences over the National Party's candidate, Warren Truss, who later went into federal parliament. After eight months in this House, Mr Perrett left the Citizens Electoral Council for the National Party. He went on to serve until the 1998 election, winning elections in 1989, 1992 and 1995. He was a member of the Public Accounts Committee from 1989 to 1992 and again in 1998. He was deputy opposition whip from March 1990 to September 1992, and a member of the opposition front bench from 1991 to 1996, mainly in primary industries. After the change of government in 1996, Mr Perrett became minister for primary industries, fisheries and forestry in the Borbidge government. Mr Perrett left cabinet in February 1998 and lost his seat in the June election.

Mr Perrett's son, Tony, is the member for Gympie in this House. I note the rarity of an MP contributing to a parliamentary condolence motion for their parent. Earlier this year, the member and I shared an occasion at a lunch here for the Queensland Country Women's Association. He does a good job for his constituents, and I offer him my sympathy, as I do to the late member's partner, Mimi, who is with us today, along with the member for Gympie's wife, Michele.

Trevor John Perrett passed away on 10 July aged 80, and a funeral service was held in Kingaroy on 15 July. The government acknowledges Mr Perrett's time in office, and I take this opportunity to extend my sympathy and that of this House to Mr Perrett's family and friends.