



Speech By Joan Pease

MEMBER FOR LYTTON

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MOTION OF CONDOLENCE

Gordon, Mr WJ

Ms PEASE (Lytton—ALP) (10.44 am): I rise in support of the condolence motion before us today. I want to contribute very briefly and pay my condolences to Billy's family, who are here today, friends across all of Queensland and Australia, and indeed to my parliamentary colleagues. We have all heard some wonderful stories about Billy today. Subliminally we must have all got the message that Billy's favourite colour was green because many in the chamber are wearing green today.

Billy was a great mate to many. There has been much said about that, and I support that. He was truly a humble, genuine and loyal person. As the member for Toohey has just said, he and Duncan Pegg were a formidable duo. They were always together and worked closely together. I acknowledge how difficult it is for all of us in the House. We have lost two very good friends and it is difficult to stand up and talk, but we do need to acknowledge the contribution that Billy Gordon has made. He was a friend. He was committed to the cause. He was committed to his community and he is sadly missed. Vale, Billy.