

ADDRESS BY  
HIS HONOUR MR TOM PAULING QC  
**ADMINISTRATOR OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**  
ON THE OCCASION OF  
**LAUNCH OF LEGACY BADGE WEEK 2008**  
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As the Administrator of the Northern Territory, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to Government House today.

It is a pleasure to host all those of you involved with the Legacy Badge Appeal which assists in raising awareness of Legacy, recognising the special place held by veterans in Australia's hearts and history.

Legacy has been increasingly active in the Northern Territory over the past fifty years and I note that in 2007, yet again, Legacy NT set a new record of monies raised, beating the previous record by \$300.

The efforts of the Australian Defence Force were particularly welcome; as were the endeavours of the twelve hard-working members of the Yulara Lions Club who managed to raise \$2,000 from pins sold at their Anzac Day Service, and, rumour has it, profits from 2-up!

I urge the public to continue to demonstrate generosity towards the Legacy Badge Appeal. The funds raised will help the organisation continue to assist 122,000 widows, and people with disabilities Australia-wide, with essential services. The income will provide vital support for the children, contributing towards school fees and costs and also enable Legacy to run Children's Adventure Camps, with a range of challenging and enjoyable recreational

activities – important opportunities for those coping with the loss of a parent to socialise together.

Legacy had its genesis in the Great War of 1914-18, but the arenas of service in 2008 range from the Sudan to the Solomon Islands, from Iraq and Afghanistan to Timor-Leste.

Those of us who have witnessed the agony and ecstasy of the departure from and arrival back home of our men and women of the Defence Forces, based here in the Territory, are perpetually aware of the burden placed upon the families left behind.

I hereby launch Legacy Badge Week for 2008, we will not forget all those who have made a sacrifice for this country.