



## AUSTRALIAN ASSYRIAN ARTS AND LITERATURE FOUNDATION INC.

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It is with immense sadness that we write to offer our deepest and most sincere condolences on the loss of the late Senator John J. Nimrod. In particular, we extend our sympathy to the family of the late Senator and more broadly to the Assyrian Universal Alliance.

Assyrians in Australia remember fondly the important visit of the late Senator in the year 2000 during which we had the opportunity to personally meet with and learn from him. In particular, we recall the visit of the late Senator to Melbourne during which he participated in a number of events organised in his and in the AUA delegation's honour. Primary amongst these events was a dinner function and also a lecture which was held at the University of Melbourne. Every individual who made the acquaintance of the late Senator was imparted with his immense love for the Assyrian Nation and his plea for unity and brotherhood amongst the world's (and especially Diaspora) Assyrians, regardless of religious denomination, political stance or tribal group.

The late Senator's legacy will be recorded in the annals of the Assyrian Nation as one of great service. His wholehearted dedication to this Nation was evidenced by the commitment of the greater part of his life to working for it. Notably amongst the late Senator's work was his lengthy service to the Assyrian Universal Alliance, particularly as the AUA's Secretary General (1994-2005) as well as the President of the Assyrian Universal Alliance Foundation (1999-2008). This service is a testament to his most selfless devotion to a Nation so in need to leadership.

The loss of Senator John J. Nimrod is above all, a loss for Assyria and he shall sorely be missed.

We pray that the bereaved family of the late Senator is comforted in their time of grief.

With Deepest Sympathy,

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