

**CONDUCT OF SENATOR THORPE DURING A PARLIAMENTARY
RECEPTION FOR THE KING AND QUEEN—CENSURE**

MINISTER:

That the Senate:

- (a) expresses its profound disapproval of Senator Thorpe’s disrespectful and disruptive protest at the Parliamentary Reception for their Majesties King Charles III and Queen Camilla on 21 October 2024 given that the senator has many other avenues to express her views;
- (b) censures Senator Thorpe for the disruptive and disrespectful conduct at the Parliamentary Reception, for her disrespect of democratic institutions, including our Parliament of which she is a member;
- (c) calls on all senators to respect our democratic institutions, including our Parliament, to engage in debates and commentary respectfully, and to refrain from inflammatory and divisive actions which reflect poorly on the Senate, both inside and outside the chamber, at all times;
- (d) in light of this conduct, does not regard it as appropriate for Senator Thorpe to represent the Senate as a member of any delegation during the life of this parliament; and
- (e) notes that arrangements for future parliamentary addresses by visiting leaders has been referred to the Procedure Committee.