



Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce AC
Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia

Message from Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce, AC Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia

for the launch of Reserve Forces Day 2012

As Patron-in-Chief of the Reserve Forces Day Council, I send warm greetings to Reservists and supporters gathered to launch Reserve Forces Day 2012.

Each year we recognise the service of men and women embracing public duty with distinction and courage, upholding the legacy and proud traditions of Australian Defence Force Reservists.

We admire their efforts and steadfast commitment, and praise their important role in war-time deployments and humanitarian and peacekeeping missions. Presently, our Reservists are engaged in operations around the world, utilising their skills, working alongside our full-time servicemen and women.

In 2012, we also give special recognition to the 110th anniversary of the Peace Treaty of Vereeniging, and the colonies of Australia's involvement in the Boer War.

I join my fellow Australians in honouring our Reservists, their compassion, and their dedication to the safety and security of our nation.

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