

Media Release

Hon Jacinta Allan MP
Premier



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STATEMENT FROM THE PREMIER

Rod Fyffe OAM was renowned for his big smile and his even bigger head of hair.

Mostly, though, we knew Rod for how much he loved our city.

His record speaks volumes:

38 years on council, four times as mayor and twice as deputy.

Rod delighted in public service – and he delighted in talking to people.

A warm “hello worker” was all it took for him to make you feel instantly at ease.

I’d like to thank Rod for his personal support and advice over the many years we worked together.

While Rod has left us, his legacy lives on.

In the students he taught. The people he served.

And our city that he loved so much.

Whenever I see the warm sunlight filter through the domes of Bendigo Art Gallery – I know I’ll be reminded of Rod.

I’m sending my heartfelt condolences to Rod’s greatest loves: his wife Victoria, his sons Paul and Frank and his grandchildren, Sophie, Lachy and Rowan.