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Parliamentary Tribute To Sam Calder

Chief Minister Paul Henderson today said the family of Sam Calder will be offered a reception in Parliament House to pay respects to this significant Territorian.

There will also be a condolence motion in Parliament House at the next sittings to give all MLAs the opportunity to pay tribute to Mr Calder.

“Mr Calder was one of the founding fathers of the CLP who represented the Territory in Canberra for more than a decade,” Mr Henderson said.

“He was elected to the House of Representatives as the Member for the Northern Territory in 1966 and held the seat until his retirement in 1980.

“Mr Calder was also a decorated pilot during World War II.

“He was a successful businessman and helped establish Connellan Airways which flew throughout the Northern Territory and into Queensland.

“Our thoughts go out to Mr Calder’s family and friends.”