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“TERRITORY ASSEMBLY WOMEN LEADING THE WAY”

A recent survey of Australian parliaments has revealed the Northern Territory, along with Tasmania, leads the way with the highest level of women representation in its House of Parliament.

Earlier this month, the Secretary General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Based in the United Kingdom, asked for an update on female representation statistics in Commonwealth parliaments.

The figures reveal that both the Northern Territory and Tasmania have women Members occupying 36% of seats in their respective Legislative Assembly.

While Tasmania also has an upper house with an additional 6 out of 15 members, the Territory doesn’t have that comparison to make.

The House of Representatives in the Australian Parliament has 40 out of 150 women Members resulting in 27%.

“Territory Women continue to stand up, get elected and lead in their communities” the Speaker of the Northern Territory Assembly Kezia Purick said today.

Ms Purick also welcomed the news by saying “Once again we are showing the nice folks in the south that we are up to the task.

“There are plenty of good fit blokes around but plenty of smart capable women are stepping up, that’s the way we do things here and no doubt with more to come ”.