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Celebrating the 32nd Territory Day

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Chair of the Statehood Steering Committee, Jane Aagaard today urged everyone to reflect on the Territory’s achievements as we consider becoming the seventh State of Australia.

Mrs Aagaard celebrated the Territory’s achievements at the Flag Raising Ceremony in Darwin for the 32nd anniversary of Self-Government.

“I am very proud to be a Territorian. The Territory is full of great people who are committed to making it a great place to live,” said Mrs Aagaard.

“Next year marks the 100th anniversary of the transfer of responsibility for governing of the Northern Territory from South Australia to the Commonwealth.

“2011 will also be a very important year in the Statehood campaign and the Territory Government will be coordinating a range of activities and events to acknowledge this symbolic occasion and to take the Statehood campaign forward.

“This year we have been conducting Statehood workshops across the Northern Territory which has given all Territorians an opportunity to have their say on the issue.

“These workshops will culminate in an important Parliamentary debate early next year.

“Territorians will then come together and discuss all these issues at the 2011 Constitutional Convention.

Attachment: Flag Raising Ceremony running sheet.

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