

Fannie Bay Branch

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12 February, 1999

Shane Stone MLA
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Dear Shane,

The members of the Fannie Bay Branch of the CLP at our General Meeting, Wednesday, 10 February 1999, unanimously requested me to write to you.

Thank you, for the contribution you have made to the progress of the Northern Territory and in particular the assistance you have given our Branch whilst Chief Minister. We are well aware of the time and effort you have given in raising the Territory's profile in Asia, the States of Australia as well as the Federal Arena. Your determination to encourage foreign trade has enhanced our economy.

We compliment you for the informative letters on the issues affecting us, as members of the CLP and Territorians. These letters have increased our awareness of the problems the Government and you have dealt with during your time as Chief Minister.

Our Branch meets the last Wednesday in the month and we look forward to your next visit to our Branch as Guest Speaker on a topic of your choice. We wish you, Josie and your family, all the very best for the future.

Yours sincerely,

JEANETTE McANDREW Secretary





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Ms Jeanette McAndrew Secretary Fannie Bay Branch PO Box 369 PARAP NT 0804

Dear Jeanette

Thank you for your letter of February 12. As you would be aware from other correspondence that I wrote to you in a different capacity, I have been endeavouring to deal with an avalanche of letters that arrived following on from my resignation.

Many of those letters were written in very personal terms and require an equally personal response.

Please convey to your members my profound appreciation for your support and encouragement during my time as President, Minister and Chief Minister. One has their disappointments in politics and the Statehood Referendum heads the list.

I look back on my time as Chief Minister with a great sense of satisfaction. The legacy of a sustainable economic framework, a commitment to law and order and a well-funded and resourced education and health sector stands separately and apart.

I was very pleased to maintain the strong thread of information to the party membership. I believe it is important that the leadership communicate in a constructive and sharing way with the branches and members.

I would welcome the opportunity to address the Fannie Bay Branch on some future occasion.

I thank you for the very best wishes that you have extended to Josephine, Jack and Madeleine. Please ensure that you pass on our warm regards to all members.

Yours faithfully

Shane L. Stone