

Chancellor,

I have the honour to present to you Allan Garraway who Council has determined should be awarded the honorary title of *Companion of the University*.

Allan Garraway is a very well-known Territorian who participates in community life to the fullest. Many of us here today know him as a prominent Chartered Accountant and member of the Darwin business community. In 2012 the Institute of Chartered Accountants recognised Allan for 40 years of membership. Allan is also a respected property manager and developer. Currently he is a member of the Northern Territory Branch of the Property Council and the Northern Territory Government's Heritage Council. Using his extensive property expertise and knowledge, Allan is assisting the University with The Heights, Durack residential project adjacent to the University's Palmerston campus.

Today we are recognising Allan for his contribution to the advancement of the Charles Darwin University Foundation and, more generally, the University. The Charles Darwin University Foundation was established in 1993 to enhance the relationship between the University and the wider Northern Territory community.

The Foundation has continued to grow from a small base. For the last six years Allan has been the Chairman of the Foundation and during this time has worked with the Board to develop strong relationships, expand membership and increase donations to the University. Individual and corporate memberships have more than doubled and the level of donations has increased significantly to the point where in 2012 over \$4 million was raised.

Allan through his leadership has assisted with the fostering of valuable and enduring relationships with members of the Northern Territory community. Today, the Foundation provides a range of scholarships and prizes to support students and to recognise their academic achievements across a diverse range of activities, which would not have been possible without the fostering of community and business relationships and the commitment of generous donors.

The Foundation has also been able to undertake a number of large projects including the establishment of the Greek Guardians Program, the development of the online Beagle Library, the expansion of the Indonesian Garden, continuing support for the CDU Art Gallery and the University Art Collection and the very significant and ambitious University Theatre Redevelopment Project.

The Foundation that we have today; the generous support it receives from the Northern Territory community; and the benefit it generates for the University broadly, owes much to the efforts and commitment of Allan Garraway.

Chancellor

In recognition of his outstanding contribution and dedication to the University Foundation and the advancement of the University, I present to you for the award of the honorary title of *Companion of the University* Allan Garraway.