

CHANCELLOR,

I have the honour to present to you Michael John Martin OAM who Council has determined should be awarded the honorary title of Companion of the University.

Michael Martin is a well known Territory identity who participates in community life to the fullest. Many of us here tonight will remember Michael from his career working for the Northern Territory Government. Many of us may know him from his many professional and community service activities, such as his long standing membership of CPA Australia, of which he has been branch President, the National Trust and what could be considered as one of his greatest passions, his deep commitment to cricket through The Lords' Taverners Association. There are many many others.

There are many more organisations that have benefited and continue to benefit from the assistance provided by Michael.

Michael has made an outstanding and long term contribution to the University principally in the area of financial governance. He has been associated with the University for over 20 years and has been a member of the Finance and Audit Committees from 1999.

At Menzies School of Health Research, Michael has been a member of the audit and finance committees and has served as Chair of those committees. Currently he is also a member of the Development Committee.

As a former chair of the Development Committee, Michael led a number of projects to raise funds for vital medical research of importance to all Territorians and in particular Indigenous Territorians.

Michael's contribution to the University through the exercise of his financial management expertise has been significant in helping to ensure a financially robust and sustainable institution.

In 2007 his services to the community and to sport were recognised with the awarding of the Medal of the Order of Australia.

CHANCELLOR

In recognition of his outstanding, long-term contribution to the advancement of the University and Menzies School of Health Research, primarily through his commitment to fundraising and the promotion of good financial governance practices, Chancellor, I present to you for the awarding of the honorary title of Companion of the University – Michael John Martin