

A proclamation by the Administrator of the Archdiocese of Perth, the Most Reverend Robert Healy, D.D., regarding the canonical establishment of the University of Notre Dame Australia as a Catholic University.

## THE DECREE OF ESTABLISHMENT

I, the Most Reverend Robert Healy, Administrator of the Archdiocese of Perth, canonically erect and establish, in accordance with the wishes of the late Archbishop William J. Foley, A Public Collegial Juridical Person to be known as "Notre Dame Australia".

Given under my hand and the seal of the Archdiocese of Perth at Fremantle on this Second day of July 1991

CATHOLIC PRICHBISHOP ON HILBIRD

The Most Reverend Robert Healy Titular Bishop Of Mayo and Administrator of the Archdiocese of Perth

In withess whereof I have signed

Reverend Monsignor Peter McCrann Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Perth

# THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA



### Preamble

While the essential character of a Catholic University has been variously and extensively expressed in the documents of the Catholic Church, the following words of Pope Paul VI provide a brief yet penetrating insight into the purpose of the University of Notre Dame Australia.

The specific testimony expected of a Catholic University is to show concretely that intelligence is never diminished but is, on the contrary, stimulated and strengthened by that inner source of deep understanding which is the Word of God, and by the hierarchy of values derived from it. In its unique way the Catholic University contributes to manifesting the superiority of the spirit, which can never, under pain of being lost, agree to put itself at the service of anything other than the search for the truth.

(Pope Paul VI, to the delegates of the International Federation of Catholic Universities, 27 November 1972.)

## Article 1

The members of Notre Dame Australia are those natural persons who, being members of the Catholic Church, hold the office of Trustee of the University of Notre Dame Australia.

#### Article 2

Notre Dame Australia shall:

- (a) establish in the Archdiocese of Perth the University of Notre Dame Australia as a Catholic University
- (b) ensure that the University is conducted in accordance with the beliefs, traditions, practices and law of the Catholic Church
- (c) ensure that the University is administered in accordance with the provisions of its enabling Act, the University of Notre Dame Australia Act, 1989
- (d) establish and foster a relationship with the University of Notre Dame located in the State of Indiana in the United States of America
- (e) represent the University in its relationship with the Archbishop of Perth
- (f) be the body with which the Archbishop of Perth deals in the exercise of his rights and duties in respect of the University of Notre Dame Australia

#### Article 3

The University may conduct its activities in dioceses other than the Archdiocese of Perth provided that the Bishops of the diocese have been informed.

## Article 4

Should Notre Dame Australia cease to exist, those temporal goods that have accrued to it as a juridical person shall become the property of the University of Notre Dame Australia.





We, the Trustees of the University of Notre
Dame Australia, having been constituted
under Canon Law as a Collegial Public
Juridical Person, to be known as Notre Dame
Australia, do hereby undertake to uphold, for
the terms of office for which we are each
appointed, the Canonical Statute of Notre
Dame Australia.



We pledge to work to ensure the University strives for excellence as a university in Australia and the world community, that it remain true to its mission, and that it exercise its rights and responsibilities as a Catholic University.

In testimony whereof we have signed, in the Church of Saint Patrick in Fremantle, on this second day of July 1991.

Terence E. O'Connor Chancellor Peter D. Tannock

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