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**Message from Her Excellency Ms Quentin Bryce, AC
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for the Australian National Flag Day 2011

This year marks the 110th anniversary of the Australian National Flag, a banner that has unified us since its selection in the year of Australian Federation.

On this day, we celebrate the values that it symbolises and the spirit it champions when flying proudly at home or on foreign shores. We look at its blue, white and red, our identity woven with the thread of our contemporary, democratic nation, and the stars of the Southern Cross representing our 60,000 year history.

Australian National Flag Day is an opportunity to reflect on what our flag has meant to us, through more than a century of our democracy, through wars, through depressions, and in our times of achievement and celebration.

On the 3rd of September, I celebrate the heritage, hopes and character our national flag symbolises with all Australians.

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