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VALE DR PETER SHARP AM

ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body (ATSIEB) Chairperson Rod Little today paid tribute to the late Dr Peter Sharp AM.

“Dr Pete has contributed significantly to improving the health and well-being of many people here in Canberra and the surrounding region for many years,” Mr Little said.

Dr Sharp maintained a long and distinguished voluntary and professional association with the Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service and his contributions to the broader community have also been significant through his clinic work, his work with older people affected by alcohol and substance abuse and his training of other medical professionals in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health issues.

“Our deepest sympathies and heartfelt condolences are extended at this time to his life partner and soul mate, Carolyn, his family, friends, colleagues and clients.”

“In particular, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community here in Canberra will deeply mourn the passing of Dr Pete with much sadness. We will continue to hold him in our hearts, minds and thoughts for many years to come. He really was a true friend to us all and I know that many in the community will attest that it has been a privilege and an honour to have known and worked with such an inspiring and self-less man,” Mr Little concluded.

A Memorial Service for Doctor Pete to celebrate his life and achievements will be held at Boomanulla Oval, Goyder St, Narrabundah, ACT on Friday, 23 September 2011, commencing at 11am.

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