



Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck

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Mary Binks OAM

Senator Richard Colbeck paid tribute to the life and contribution to her community of former Devonport Mayor Mary Binks OAM.

“I had the genuine pleasure to serve on Devonport Council with Mary when she became Devonport’s first female Mayor from 1999.

“Mary was an excellent leader of our community and as a librarian she was amply prepared for the role that she carried out with authority, warmth, compassion, feistiness, humour and aplomb.

“Mary was someone who was very much of her community and it showed in the way she carried out her role.

“Hers was a friendship that I respected and valued and I know she will be remembered warmly by her community.

“Her compassion for her community was demonstrated in a most practical way when she founded Gran’s Van – an institution that endures today.

“Gaylene and I extend our condolences to Mary’s husband Chris, children Peter, Catherine, Mary and Jenni and their families.

“Memories of Mary will bring a smile to our faces.”

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