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Resignation of Tasmanian Premier Will Hodgman

Senator the Hon. Richard Colbeck has today praised the leadership of Tasmanian Premier Will Hodgman following news of his resignation.

Senator Colbeck credited Mr Hodgman for having set Tasmania on a new path of prosperity.

“Under his steady leadership, Mr Hodgman guided Tasmania into a new era of stability and growth,” Senator Colbeck said.

“His experience as the state’s longest serving Liberal Leader and measured approach in Government earned the trust of all Tasmanians.”

His refusal to form a minority government with the Greens in 2010 was an example of his steely resolve and political integrity, Senator Colbeck said.

The Senator also credited Mr Hodgman’s sound financial management – and the ability to connect with the grass root needs of all Tasmanians – as key to helping him secure a second term in 2018.

“There is more optimism as a result of his leadership,” Senator Colbeck said. “His tireless efforts have re-invigorated the state, restored pride and ensure a legacy of construction and growth for years to come.

“I wish Will, his wife Nicky and his family well in the next phase of their lives.”