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SENATOR THE HON NICK MINCHIN

Minister for Finance and Administration
Leader of the Government in the Senate

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Trish Draper

The leader of the Government in the Senate and Minister for Finance and Administration, Senator Nick Minchin, today congratulated Trish Draper MP on her outstanding record of service to the constituents of her Federal electorate of Makin.

While noting that Trish would continue to work hard on behalf of her constituents right up to the day of the 2007 election, Senator Minchin said Trish could be very proud of her contribution as the Member for Makin over the past decade.

Senator Minchin noted that when he was first elected to the Senate in 1993, he located his electorate office in Makin and worked very closely with Trish in her campaign to win Makin from Labor in 1996.

“Trish has worked incredibly hard for 12 years on behalf of the Liberal Party in Makin, winning the seat from Peter Duncan in 1996 and seeing off strong Labor campaigns to unseat her in 1998, 2001 and 2004.

“While we are disappointed that Trish will not contest the 2007 election, she deserves the praise and support of all SA Liberals for her tremendous contribution as a Federal Liberal MP.

“I particularly commend her strong stand over many years on key social and moral issues. Trish is a conviction politician, as well as a very successful marginal seat Member.

“Trish will be sorely missed, but we all wish her well,” Senator Minchin said.