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National Memorials, Public Places and Territory Divisions Ordinance

Exposure Draft – Australian Capital Territory (National Memorials, Public Places and Territory Divisions) Ordinance 2022

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Updated laws for the regulations for National Memorials and naming Public Places and Territory Divisions

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications (the Department) is preparing draft laws to replace the *National Memorials Ordinance 1928*, which sunsets on 1 April 2022.

The Australian Capital Territory (National Memorials, Public Places and Territory Divisions) Ordinance 2022 (the Ordinance) has been drafted to modernise laws relating to approving the location and character of national memorials and the naming of divisions (suburbs and town centres) and public places on National Land in the Australian Capital Territory. The Ordinance retains the role of the National Memorials Committee and updates the naming criteria for place names so that it reflects modern values and standards in society.

The draft Ordinance provides for the location and character of national memorials and the naming of public places and divisions in the ACT. The draft Ordinance also establishes and sets out the role of the National Memorials Committee (the Committee).

The operational functions under the Ordinance are provided by the National Capital Authority, including secretariat support to the Committee.

The Ordinance modernises ‘pre-self-government laws’ provided by the *National Memorials Ordinance 1928*, which dates back to when Canberra was established as the National Capital.

An exposure draft of the Ordinance is now available for public comment.

How can you have your say?

The Department invites your comments on the exposure draft by 11:59pm, 28 February 2022. You can send comments in writing by:

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