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An Act to provide for the naming of divisions and public places

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Public Place Names Act 1989*.¹

Commencement

2.¹ (1) Sections 1 and 2 commence on the date on which this Act is notified in the *Gazette*.

(2) The remaining provisions of this Act commence on the date of commencement of section 22 of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth.

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Public places

3. In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears, "public place" includes an avenue or a road, street or place which the public are entitled to use and any unleased land.

Minister to determine names

4. The Minister may, by notice published in the *Gazette*, determine the name of—

- (a) a division of Territory Land; or
- (b) a public place that is Territory Land.

Disallowable instrument

5. A determination is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of section 10 of the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989*.

Regard given to certain names

6. (1) When making a determination in respect of the naming of a division, the Minister shall have regard to the names of persons who have made notable contributions to the existence of Australia as a nation.

(2) When making a determination in respect of the naming of a public place, the Minister shall have regard to—

- (a) the names of persons famous in Australian exploration, navigation, pioneering, colonization, administration, politics, education, science or letters;
- (b) the names of persons who have made notable contributions to the existence of Australia as a nation;
- (c) the names of Australian flora;
- (d) the names of things characteristic of Australia or Australians; and
- (e) the vocabulary of the Aboriginal race of Australia.

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Savings

7. A determination under section 8A or 8B of the *National Memorials Ordinance 1928* in respect of land in relation to which this Act applies in force immediately before the commencement of this Act continues in force on and after the commencement as if it were a determination under this Act.

NOTE

1. Act No. 31,1989; notified in *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 10 May 1989; ss. 1 and 2 commenced on 10 May 1989; remainder commenced on 11 May 1989 (*see Gazette* 1989, No. S164).

<u>Citation of Laws</u>—The Self-Government (Citation of Laws) Act 1989 (No. 21, 1989) altered the citation of most Ordinances so that after Self-Government day they are to be cited as Acts. That Act also affects references in ACT laws to Commonwealth Acts.

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