

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT
INSTRUMENT NO. 287 OF 2000**

**APPOINTMENT OF MARY ESTELLA WILLIAMS AS A MEMBER TO THE
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY HERITAGE COUNCIL**

The Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991 (the "Land Act") governs the use of land in the Territory including the conservation of the Territory's Heritage places.

Part III, section 91, of the Land Act establishes the ACT Heritage Council. Members of Council are appointed by the Minister under section 97.

Members are appointed for a maximum period of three years, after which they may be re-appointed for a further maximum period of three years. A break of three years must then lapse before a member can be further re-appointed.

This instrument appoints Mary Estella Williams to be a member of the Council for a period of 3 years.

A brief Resume of Mary Estella Williams background is attached.

Section 7 of the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989* prevents a subordinate law from having effect if it would prejudice the rights of a person existing at the date of notification, or if liabilities would be imposed on a person in respect of any act or omission before the date of notification. Neither circumstance will arise from the act of appointing the person named herein to the specified position.