

If you know an older Australian who has a special wedding anniversary or birthday coming up, you can ask the Prime Minister of Australia, the Governor-General and Her Majesty The Queen to say, 'Congratulations!'

The Prime Minister will acknowledge 50th wedding anniversaries and above, and 90th and subsequent birthdays.

The Governor-General will acknowledge 50th wedding anniversaries and above, and 100th and subsequent birthdays.

The Queen will acknowledge 60th wedding anniversaries and above and 100th and subsequent birthdays, provided a request has not been placed in the past 5 years.

How to arrange an official anniversary message?

To arrange a message simply fill out the enclosed form and forward it to the Office of Karen Andrews MP.

You will need to produce supporting documents such as birth certificates or marriage certificates. If these are not available, you can provide a statutory declaration instead.

Where appropriate, Karen will forward your request to the Prime Minister, the Governor-General and Her Majesty The Queen, so you only have to apply once.

When do I arrange the message?

Arrangements for a message can be made up to two months before the big day.

If this year's celebration has passed, you can still request a belated message up to a month afterwards.

Karen Andrews MP Federal Member for McPherson

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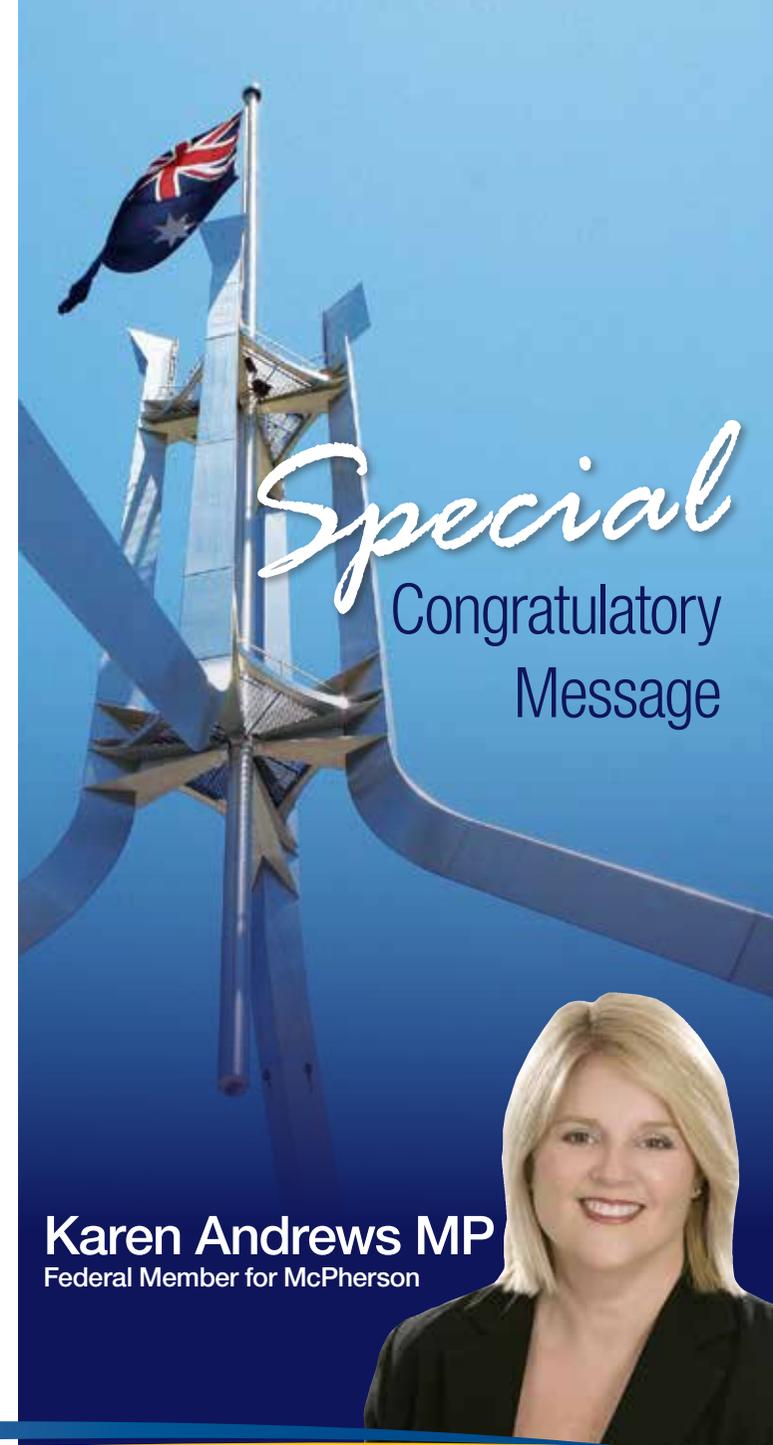
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REQUEST FOR A CONGRATULATORY CERTIFICATE

NOMINEE(S) TO RECEIVE CERTIFICATE (PLEASE INCLUDE CORRECT TITLE)

NOMINEE(S) ADDRESS

ADDRESS WHERE MESSAGE IS TO BE POSTED (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE)

NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS FORM

CONTACT ADDRESS

CONTACT PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

OCCASION (e.g. 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY)

DATE OF ANNIVERSARY OR BIRTHDAY

DATE MESSAGE SHOULD ARRIVE (PLEASE NOMINATE WORK DAY)

****Please attach certification which should either be a copy of the original birth certificate or marriage certificate or an original Statutory Declaration****

Please advise Karen Andrews' office if circumstances arise which make it inappropriate for this message to be sent.

Your completed request form and supporting documentation can be faxed, posted or emailed to:

Karen Andrews MP

Federal Member for McPherson

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Who qualifies?

The Prime Minister and Governor-General send messages to couples celebrating their 50th and subsequent wedding anniversaries. Her Majesty The Queen sends her regards to those married for 60 years and also writes to the couple every five years after that on request.

The Prime Minister sends messages to Australians turning 90 years of age or more.

A 100th birthday also brings letters from the Governor-General and Her Majesty The Queen. The Governor-General will be in touch every year thereafter on request, whilst Her Majesty The Queen will write again every five years on request.

The table shows who is eligible.

	50th Wedding Anniversary	50th plus Wedding Anniversary	90th Birthday	90th plus Birthday
Prime Minister	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Her Excellency The Governor- General	Yes	Yes	No	100th & every year thereafter
Her Majesty The Queen	No	60th & every 5th year thereafter	No	100th & every 5th year thereafter

Note: A message from Her Majesty The Queen can be arranged for couples or individuals who did not receive a message on their 60th wedding anniversary or on their 100th birthday, as the case may be.