

Acceptance Speech by Julie Campbell on behalf of her late father, Sir Keith Campbell.

The Honourable Scott Morrison MP and Treasurer, Senator for the ACT Zed Seselija, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen.

In April 1983, just over 33 years ago, my father was in Parliament House addressing on behalf of the business sector the participants of the Hawke Government's National Economic Summit . He died shortly after returning to Sydney.

It is quite emotional to be here tonight but I am proud to be here accepting this honour on his behalf.

You have heard much of his achievements in business, for Government and the community. Let me tell you a little about the father I knew.

He was a kind and loving father and a man of few words. He didn't waste words or time. Time with him was precious as his family shared him with his work, his commitments to Government, the community and others who sought his help. He always found time for people. He was a hard act to follow.

As my father succeeded in business, he didn't change as a person. He never forgot where he started and was comfortable talking to anyone be they the Prime Minister or the ordinary man or woman in the street.

He is sorely missed.

I could go on about my father but I'm sure he would only want me to say a few words then sit down so I'm going to do that.

Thank you for bestowing this honour on my father, a man who described himself as a rather ordinary Australian from an ordinary background.