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Electoral Commission

# MEDIA RELEASE

## EAST METROPOLITAN VACANCY IN WA UPPER HOUSE FILLED

Ms Linda Savage from the Australian Labor Party was today elected to fill the vacancy in the East Metropolitan region of the WA Legislative Council following the untimely death of the Hon. John (Jock) Ferguson in February this year.

At the close of nominations at 12 noon today nine had been received from qualified persons who were candidates for the region at the last State general election of 6<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

A recount of the votes from the 2008 State general election was conducted in accordance with section 156D(4) of the *Electoral Act 1907* with Western Australian Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately subsequently declaring Ms Savage elected as the member of the Legislative Council to fill the vacancy in the East Metropolitan region.

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Authorised by the Electoral Commissioner, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2010

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