

Shelley Hancock Minister for Local Government

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## VALE LILLIANE BRADY

It is with great sadness I acknowledge the passing of NSW's longest serving female mayor and Cobar stalwart Lilliane Brady OAM.

Lilliane epitomised what it is to be a rural advocate, fighting tirelessly until the very end for her community of Cobar.

Lilliane was one of the most successful, inspiring and passionate local government figures in the history of our State. After 40 years on Cobar Shire Council and 20 years as mayor, Lilliane, 90, had planned to retire in September.

I sincerely thank Lilliane for the tremendous contribution she made to her community, the NSW local government sector and the advancement of equality for women in public life.

Last year I had the pleasure of presenting the inaugural Minister for Local Government Award for Women to Lilliane to formally recognise her exceptional contribution to her community and our State.

On behalf of the NSW Government, I express my sincere condolences to Lilliane's family and friends and the entire Cobar community for their loss.

Lilliane will be dearly missed but her spirit will live on forever in Cobar.

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