

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Public Place Names Ordinance 1989

No. 31 of 1989

I, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL of the Commonwealth of Australia, acting with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, hereby make the following Ordinance under the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act 1910*.

Dated 9 May 1989.

BILL HAYDEN
Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command,

CLYDE HOLDING
Minister of State for the Arts
and Territories

An Ordinance to provide for the naming of divisions and public places

(Ord. 32/89)—Cat. No.

Authorised by the ACT Parliamentary Counsel—also accessible at www.legislation.act.gov.au

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the *Public Place Names Ordinance 1989*.¹

Commencement

2. (1) Sections 1 and 2 commence on the date on which this Ordinance is notified in the *Gazette*.

(2) The remaining provisions of this Ordinance commence on the date of commencement of section 22 of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth.

Public places

3. In this Ordinance, unless the contrary intention appears, “public place” includes an avenue or a road, street or place which the public are entitled to use and any unleased land.

Minister to determine names

4. The Minister may, by notice published in the *Gazette*, determine the name of—

- (a) a division of Territory Land; or
- (b) a public place that is Territory Land.

Disallowable instrument

5. A determination is a disallowable instrument for the purposes of section 10 of the *Subordinate Laws Ordinance 1989*.

Regard given to certain names

6. (1) When making a determination in respect of the naming of a division, the Minister shall have regard to the names of persons who have made notable contributions to the existence of Australia as a nation.

(2) When making a determination in respect of the naming of a public place, the Minister shall have regard to—

- (a) the names of persons famous in Australian exploration, navigation, pioneering, colonization, administration, politics, education, science or letters;
- (b) the names of persons who have made notable contributions to the existence of Australia as a nation;

- (c) the names of Australian flora;
- (d) the names of things characteristic of Australia or Australians; and
- (e) the vocabulary of the Aboriginal race of Australia.

Savings

7. A determination under section 8A or 8B of the *National Memorials Ordinance 1928* in respect of land in relation to which this Ordinance applies in force immediately before the commencement of this Ordinance continues in force on and after the commencement as if it were a determination under this Ordinance.

NOTE

1. Notified in the *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* on 10 May 1989.