



## GOVERNOR OF QUEENSLAND

### Message from the Governor of Queensland

As Patron of the Queensland Library Foundation, I am delighted to take this opportunity to re-emphasise my wholehearted support for the Foundation and, through it, the State Library of Queensland.

It requires little foresight to predict that Queensland's encounter with COVID-19 will occupy a significant chapter in our State's history, one that relates not only damage and disruption to lives and livelihoods, but also the triumph of Queenslanders' spirit in adversity.

We can be confident that the State Library will once again apply its formidable energy and expertise to capturing both the broad sweep of events and the individual experiences of Queenslanders during these unprecedented times.

This had been the Library's role for more than 120 years, during which time this Queensland institution – indeed icon – has become celebrated as the dedicated custodian of our State's heritage and memory and a place of learning and creativity.

Since 1988, the richness and depth of the Library's collections and programs have been augmented through the marvellous generosity of the Queensland Library Foundation's sponsors, donors and partners.

Their contributions have enabled the Library to enhance its holdings and research capabilities, and to reach more communities in Queensland and beyond, including through the digitization of its collections.

As Queensland Day 2020 draws near, I thank all those whose support for the Foundation has contributed directly to the range, reach and quality of the Library's work. Their generosity continues to enhance the Library's capacity to preserve Queensland memories and tell Queensland stories, for the benefit of current and future generations.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Paul de Jersey".

**His Excellency the Honourable Paul de Jersey AC**  
Governor of Queensland