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FINDING INTO DEATH WITH INQUEST

Section 67 of the Coroners Act 2008

Court Reference: 652/2010

Inquest into the Death of Greg Norman MACKRELL

Hearing Dates:	01/02/2011
Findings of:	Stella Stuthridge
Place of death:	Goulburn Valley Health Hospital, Shepparton

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In the Coroners Court of Victoria at Shepparton

I Stella Stuthridge, Coroner having investigated the death of:

Details of deceased:

Surname: MACKRELL
First name: Greg Norman
Address: 4 Homewood Drive Mooroopna Vic 3629

AND having held an inquest in relation to this death on 01/02/2011

at Shepparton Coroner's Court

find that the identity of the deceased was Greg Norman MACKRELL

and death occurred on or about 17/02/2010

at Shepparton

from

1a CARDIOMYOPATHY IN A 47 YEAR OLD MAN WITH DOWN SYNDROME

in the following circumstances:

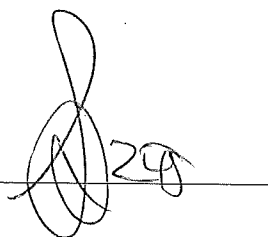
1. Having heard from the Informant Constable Glenn R Fitzgerald and having read the brief of evidence in this matter I make the following findings.

Mr Greg Norman Mackrell was born on the 28th January 1963, with Down syndrome. He resided at a residential care facility in Mooroopna. He had a complicated medical history. Mr Mackrell had difficulties with his heart and had a pace maker fitted. He experienced repeated urinary tract infections that required hospital admissions. On the 17th February 2010, Mr Mackrell was admitted

to Goulburn Valley Health for an elective colonoscopy. The medical team were aware Mr Mackrell had cardiac disease and an irregular heart beat with a pacemaker in place. The anaesthetist reviewed him, on the day. The colonoscopy was completed quickly with no apparent complications. Shortly after surgery, Mr Mackrell went into cardiac arrest. Cardiac resuscitation was attempted but Mr Mackrell failed to recover. Mr Mackrell passed away at 9.58am on the 17 February 2010.

The pathologist who performed the autopsy reviewed the medical records. The autopsy found Mr Mackrell died as a result cardiomyopathy [heart disease]. The autopsy found no complications arising from the colonoscopy. This was in keeping with his clinical diagnosis. Sudden cardiac death is not unexpected in people suffering from cardiomyopathy. I am satisfied Mr Mackrell's medical management was appropriate. In all the circumstance I am satisfied Mr Mackrell died because of the natural consequences of cardiomyopathy.

Signature:

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Date:

07/01/2011

