

**MORNING TEA TO MARK THE 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
TASMANIAN MULTIPLE BIRTH ASSOCIATION  
REMARKS BY  
HER EXCELLENCY THE HONOURABLE BARBARA BAKER AC  
GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA  
GOVERNMENT HOUSE, TUESDAY 6 MAY 2025**

Good morning, everyone. I warmly welcome you all to Government House.

I begin by paying my respects to the Muwinina people upon whose land we gather. I acknowledge today's Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as ongoing custodians of Country. I recognise their enduring culture and continued connection to land, sea, sky and waters.

It is a pleasure to host this morning tea in celebration of the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Tasmanian Multiple Birth Association.

Your Association was established by parents, for parents; people who understood, from lived experience, that raising twins, triplets or more, is not simply parenting times two or three, but a much more complex journey.

This is why your organisation is so important. Over the past 15 years, it has become a lifeline of peer support, practical assistance, and community, through playgroups, meal support, or simply advice. The Association has created a network that reduces isolation and helps families feel seen, heard, and supported.

Your organisation is run entirely by volunteers who are parents of multiples themselves! Congratulations on your important and valued work.

I thank the leadership of the Tasmanian Multiple Birth Association, the volunteers, and all the families here today. This morning tea is a moment to pause, celebrate, and know that your work is valued across Tasmania.

Congratulations on your 15-year milestone.

Please enjoy your morning tea.