

Please quote: MN43939/CN04/ES

Mr Simon Tutt
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Dear Simon

I refer to the petition tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 11 November 2003 by the Member for Indooroopilly, Mr Ronan Lee MP, requesting that maroon be declared as Queensland's State colour.

I am pleased to advise that, on 13 November 2003, the Governor in Council issued a Proclamation declaring maroon as Queensland's State colour. In line with your request, this proclamation gives legal effect to the long-held, but informal, tradition of using maroon to represent the State. I believe that this is an important step which will further enhance the identity of our State and that Queenslanders will continue to embrace maroon as their State colour.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Thank you for bringing your request to the attention of the House.

Yours sincerely

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PREMIER AND MINISTER FOR TRADE