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MESSAGE FROM THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN PREMIER, DON DUNSTAN.

AUSTRALIAN LIBRARY WEEK.

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I am delighted to have this opportunity to support the work of the Australian Library Promotion Council and its "Australian Library Week".

Regard for books and the encouragement of libraries is one of the true measures of a civilised society.

Australia today has, in quite fundamental ways come of age culturally.

Our writers, playwrights and other creative artists are achieving international recognition.

At the same time the knowledge revolution places new and unique demands on existing library resources.

Governments have a direct responsibility - and one we are happy to accept - to ensure that our libraries are showcases of Australian library accomplishment and adequate to the needs of students and general readers.

Their job is made easier by the work of the Council and in its continuing efforts to support and encourage the growth of libraries of all kinds the Council is performing a service of lasting value to all Australians.

PREMIER.