

**Geoff Brock MP**  
Minister for Veterans Affairs

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## **South Australia pauses to commemorate Remembrance Day**

South Australians will pause tomorrow to honour the service and sacrifice of veterans and their families at Remembrance Day services across the state.

A minute of silence will be observed at 11am on Saturday 11 November, paying tribute to current and former serving defence personnel.

The day is to remember all Australians who have served and honour those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in wars, conflicts and on peacekeeping operations.

Tomorrow's commemorations honour the contributions of more than 89,000 Australians, including about 6,000 South Australians, currently serving in the Australian Defence Force (ADF), many of whom are deployed on operations at home and around the world.

At 11am on 11 November 1918, with the signing of the Armistice between Allied Forces and Germany, the guns on the Western Front fell silent, signalling the end of World War One.

This date, more than a century later, continues to hold a special place in Australia's history, remembering the legacy of the fallen and acknowledging the nation's service men and women.

It is also a day to reflect on the sacrifices of Defence families, whose ongoing support ensures the ADF can continue to protect and defend Australia and its national interests.

Remembrance Day services will be held across the state tomorrow, including at the South Australian National War Memorial where Premier Peter Malinauskas will join dignitaries to pay their respects. The Minister for Veterans Affairs, Geoff Brock, will attend a service at the World War 1 Memorial Gates in Port Pirie.

For more information about Remembrance Day and details for the service at the South Australian National War Memorial visit [www.rembertoremember.com.au](http://www.rembertoremember.com.au).

Check with local organisers for information on other services across South Australia.

## **Quotes attributable to Geoff Brock**

*Remembrance Day is a poignant reminder of the courage and selflessness of those who have given their lives for the freedom and peace we cherish today.*

*It is our duty to ensure that their sacrifices are never forgotten, and I encourage all South Australians to find a way to meaningfully commemorate Remembrance Day.*

*To all current and former serving personnel, and their families: thank you for your service. Lest we forget.*