



## THE HON. DR MIKE KELLY MP Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support

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### NEW CHAIR TO LEAD DEFENCE RESERVES COMMITTEE IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Parliamentary Secretary for Defence Support, the Hon. Dr Mike Kelly, AM, MP, has announced the appointment of the first female Chair of the South Australian Committee of the Defence Reserves Support Council (DRSC), Dr Pamela Schulz.

“Dr Schulz is a well-respected university lecturer, and a public relations and community education professional, who will make an outstanding contribution to the DRSC in South Australia,” Dr Kelly said.

“As a State Chair, Dr Schulz will be leading a committee that provides a link between the Australian Defence Force, employers and the community from which the Reserve force is drawn.

“Dr Schulz has held positions as a senior marketing and public relations manager with a wide range of private and public sector organisations. Her focus has always been on communication and community and this will continue in her new DRSC role.”

Dr Schulz is currently a private consultant in communication management and has qualifications in social work, communication and education. She is also a lecturer in communications at the University of South Australia’s School of Communications and International Studies. She recently completed her doctorate at the University of South Australia, focusing on public confidence in the justice system, public relations and courts.

The DRSC aims to enhance the availability of the Reserve component of the ADF by promoting the benefits of employing members of the Reserve. It also aims to establish a flexible partnership with the community and employers, so they are encouraged to support those in the Reserve.

Each State and Territory has committees of the Council. Some also have committees in larger regional centres, such as Townsville. Council members are volunteers and include representatives from industry, small business, trade unions, youth and other interested community groups.

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