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SENIORS ADVISORY COUNCIL FORMED

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Territory seniors will have the opportunity to have their say as part of a newly formed Minister's Advisory Council on Senior Territorians (MAC-ST) announced at today's Palmerston Seniors Forum.

Minister for Senior Territorians Peter Styles said expressions of interest were currently being sought for six positions on the council and encouraged motivated seniors to apply.

"I am so excited about this advisory council – seniors have so much to offer the community and the advice they provide to the government will be extremely valued," Mr Styles said.

"MAC-ST has been established to provide a voice for our Territory seniors on issues of interest so we can better provide for these respected Territorians.

"The council will provide high level and strategic advice to government as well as deliver effective linkages between government and the seniors community to improve policy outcomes.

"The Giles Government is excited to have this invaluable voice which will offer solutions to topics affecting senior Territorians."

MAC-ST will enable the participation of key stakeholders in the study and discussion of issues relevant to the social, economic and civic life of Territory seniors.

Mr Styles strongly encouraged seniors from across the Territory to apply to this advisory council.

"We really want a wide representation to be on this council so we can cover all views and requests," Mr Styles said.

"I believe our seniors in the Territory have so much to offer and can provide valuable advice to the rest of the Territory."

Candidate for Blain Nathan Barrett said the Giles Government was delivering for Palmerston with the formation of the new advisory council.

"Our seniors are very much respected in the community and their advice will greatly assist with the provision of better services and better facilities for the seniors of Palmerston," Mr Barrett said.

For more information, please contact the Office of Senior Territorians on 8999 3894 or email ost@nt.gov.au

Expressions of interest should be emailed, addressing the above criteria for membership by close of business Friday 28 March 2014 to ost@nt.gov.au.

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