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H.R.H. Prince Leonard Sovereign Principality of Hutt River Via Western Australia 6535

Your Royal Highness

The recent passing of H.R.H. Princess Shirley is a great loss to her family, the Principality and all who knew her.

I was fortunate to meet H.R.H. on two occasions and was deeply impressed by her grace and kindness as she welcomed my friends and I to the Principality. At our second meeting, despite being unwell, she epitomised the gracious hospitality of a true princess.

Throughout the history of the Principality H.R.H. Princess Shirley stood alongside H.R.H. Prince Leonard, helping him to bear the burdens of his office. There is no question that her loyal and devoted support will be recognised by future historians as a pivotal factor in the successful establishment of the Principality of Hutt River as a sovereign state.

Her passing deprives the Principality, and Western Australia, of a strong, wise and gracious lady. On behalf of the 1<sup>st</sup> Barton Platoon of the Royal Hutt River Legion I would like to offer my most sincere condolences on the passing of a great lady.

Yours in H. R. H. service,

Lt. Sir Richard Ananda Barton KCOWL Royal Hutt River Legion

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