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Lawrence appointment welcomed by National Trust

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The Chairman of the Australian Council of National Trusts, Dr Graeme L. Blackman OAM, today warmly welcomed the appointment of Professor Carmen Lawrence as the new Chair of the Australian Heritage Council.

Speaking on behalf of all 8 National Trust organisations and their 80 000 members, Dr Blackman paid particular mention to Professor Lawrence's commitment to heritage. He emphasised that the Trust movement looks forward to working with Professor Lawrence in the advancement of the Commonwealth's heritage agenda.

"Professor Lawrence has an extremely distinguished career, with an evident interest in Australia's heritage," Dr. Blackman said.

"By appointing Western Australia's first Heritage Minister during her time as Premier of Western Australia, it clearly emphasised the value she places on Australia's history.

"She perfectly suits her new role as Chair of the Australian Heritage Council and I look forward to working with her in preserving Australia's heritage."

Lawrence's appointment comes shortly before the State and Territory 'Our Heritage at Risk' lists are released in July.

Following this the 2010 National Top Ten Our Heritage at Risk list will be announced on 23 October 2010.

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