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Mr ABBOTT (Warringah—Leader of the Opposition) (15:16): Madam Deputy Speaker, with your indulgence I note that today is the last day on which House of Representatives proceedings will be covered by Misha Schubert of the *Age*. She has been a splendid member of the press gallery and a welcome visitor to our offices, as so many members of the press gallery are, for many years. I have known Misha Schubert since she first joined the press gallery about a decade ago.

As I have to say about all the members of the press gallery, sometimes they say things that we would prefer they did not, but the great thing about Misha Schubert is that she has always been fair and she has always sought to advance public debate. I am sure that she will have much to contribute to our public debates in the future, and she will certainly be missed by members on this side of the House and I suspect by members on the other side of the House as well.