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PRIME MINISTER

STATEMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER, THE HON PJ KEATING MP

TED WHITTEN

If you grew up in Sydney in the fifties and sixties you didn't hear much about Australian Rules but you heard about Ted Whitten.

His fame went much further than Victoria. He was a great footballer but he was more than that - he was a true working class hero.

His character and courage made him an inspiration in Footscray and the west of Melbourne and a legend among football lovers everywhere.

The world of Australian football has suffered a great loss with his death and so has Footscray and Victoria.

On behalf of the Government I extend my sincere sympathies to Ted's family and friends.

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