

Australian Refugee Association Inc ANNUAL ORATION 2010



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ORATOR: Mr Hieu Van Le AO

Vietnamese born, Mr Hieu Van Le is the Lieutenant Governor of South Australia and Chairman of the South Australian Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission.

Mr Le has a Degree in Economics and a Masters Degree in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of Adelaide. He is a former senior Manager with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

He is a member of the Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants (CPA) and a Fellow Member of the Financial Services Institute of Australasia (FINSIA).

Mr Le is a recipient of the 1996 Australia Day Medal for outstanding service to the ASIC and has been awarded the Centenary of Federation Medal for service to the advancement of multiculturalism.

In December 2008, he was awarded an honorary doctorate from the University of Adelaide for his contribution and services to the community.

In January 2010 he was made an Officer (AO) in the General division of the Order of Australia for services to the community of South Australia, particularly through roles contributing to the enhancement of a multicultural society.

ORATION SYNOPSIS – “Something to Crow About”

In 2010, South Australia will start celebrating 175 years of European settlement. In 2036, the State will mark its bicentenary. What type of person will the average South Australian be when that bicentenary comes around? Where will that person have come from? What will they believe? How will they live? How will they see and relate to the world?

Mr Le will discuss his vision of the State in 2036 at the inaugural 2010 Australian Refugee Association Oration. One of the first of the 1970's Vietnamese 'boat people' to settle in

Adelaide, Mr Le will talk about the kind of people South Australians will be - and will need to be. He will argue that refugees, migrants, multiculturalism and long-standing national values all have a positive role to play in shaping a globally constructive, open and outward-looking South Australia of the mid 21st Century.

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