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Senator Mathias Cormann

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ELLISON DEPARTURE A GREAT LOSS

WA Liberal Senator Mathias Cormann has paid tribute to his friend and mentor Senator Chris Ellison who announced his retirement from politics today.

"Senator Chris Ellison is the hardest working, and most decent politician I've ever come across," Senator Cormann said.

"He has made an outstanding contribution as a Minister in the Howard Government and as a representative for the people of Western Australia and the Liberal cause.

"At a personal level, Chris has been a great friend and mentor to me.

"We have worked together closely for many years, both in government and within the Western Australian Liberal Party.

"While I am sad that Chris has made this decision, I fully understand and respect it, having witnessed first hand the sacrifices he has made for more than 15 years, to serve the people of Western Australia and Australia.

"I wish Chris and his family all the best for their future," Senator Cormann said.

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