

## Media Release

# HAVE YOUR SAY ON A PLACE NAME IN CAMPBELLTOWN LGA

Friday, 9 June 2023

The Geographical Names Board (GNB) is seeking community feedback on a proposal by Campbelltown City Council to name a reserve in the suburb of Bardia as Russell Copeman Park, which is bound by Arthur Allen Drive and Alamein Street, Bardia, Campbelltown Local Government Area.

The name seeks to commemorate Private Russell James Copeman, 3rd Squadron, Special Air Service Regiment in recognition of his service in Vietnam where he was critically wounded.

Private Copeman was repatriated to the Army Camp Hospital, Ingleburn where his condition deteriorated and he died on 10 April 1967, aged 20.

He was the only Australian SAS serviceman to die in the Vietnam War due to enemy action.

GNB is seeking feedback to gauge community sentiment for the proposed name with suggestions for alternative names not being sought at this time.

Details of the proposal can be viewed, and submissions lodged on the Geographical Names Board's website.

Alternatively, written submissions may be mailed to the Secretary, Geographical Names Board, 346 Panorama Ave, Bathurst, NSW 2795.

Submissions can be made between 2 June and 2 July 2023.

### Quotes to be attributed to Chair of the Geographical Names Board Narelle Underwood:

“It is important that place names reflect the character and history of the local area and community.”

“We want to make sure everyone has an opportunity to provide their feedback on the proposed name.”

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