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Community Recognition Statement

22 February 2022

DEREK BRINDLE

Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend) :

Every Australia Day, ordinary individuals are recognised for their extraordinary achievements and commitment to the broader community.

This year, one of five Corrective Services NSW officers acknowledged on the 2022 Australia Day honours list was a resident of the Wallsend Electorate-Derek Brindle was awarded the Australian Corrections Medal for his distinguished service and dedication to corrections.

Since joining Corrective Services NSW in 1990 as an overseer in the Corrective Services Industries upholstery products unit, Mr Brindle has climbed the ladder to become business manager of operations.

He has been deeply involved with several major operations in the branch, including Benchmarking and the Prison Bed Capacity Adjustment Program, and has oversight of several inmate employment business divisions State-wide.

His work has enabled offenders to participate in sustainable and meaningful employment while gaining skills and qualifications. Derek said, "Myself, like my Corrective Services colleagues, do not seek recognition for the job we do.

To receive recognition at this level is an honour of which I am extremely proud and privileged." Inspiring words from a humble man.

A big thank you to Derek for his contributions—this is a well-deserved honour.