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**** *MEDIA RELEASE* ****

Announcing the passing of: HRH Prince Leonard

13th February 2019

Authorised: HRH Prince Graeme, Sovereign, Principality of Hutt River.

HRH Prince Leonard George Casley

27 August 1925 – 13 February 2019

Founder & First Sovereign of the Principality of Hutt River

Protector of the Legends of the Nunda People,

Past Commander in Chief [Royal Hutt River Defence Forces](#),

Royal Protector of The Most Noble and Most Worthy Sovereign Order of The Crusaders Cross
of Jerusalem,

Grand Officier du Noble Ordre de Chevalrie et Religieux de la Couronne d'Epines.

Grand Collar de l'ordre Souverain Militaire Teutonic et de l'ordre Chevalresque de la Sainte-
Croix de Jerusalem.

Cabildo de Cavalleros Cubicularios De San Ildefonso.

Grand Collar of the Ordem General Abreu e Lima.

[Kentucky Colonel](#),

Founder & Trustee of the [Royal College of Advanced Research](#).

*Past Patron & Honorary Commissioner in Chief of the [Legion of Frontiersmen, Independent
Command, Canada](#).*

Past Patron of the ["Royal Enfield Club of Australia Inc."](#)

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of the Patriarch of the Principality
of Hutt River, HRH Prince Leonard, who passed away peacefully in
St John of God hospital 0945 WST Wednesday February 13th with his family by his side.

The family thanks the staff of St John of God hospital for their loving care over the last
few days and a special thanks for the wonderful work and care of
Dr Sir Gerhard Beukes KGCIOM M.Ch.B(Stell). F.R.A.C.G.P. who looked after Prince
Leonard in his last days and indeed for the last few years as his
personal physician.

Prince Leonard was married for more than 66 years to his late wife HRH Princess Shirley Joy Casley (19/07/1928 - 07/07/2013) and is survived by his 7 children and more than 22 Grand Children & over 30 Great Grand Children.

Arrangements for the funeral are yet to be finalized but will consist of a private cremation service for family and close friends only.

This will be followed at a future date with a special memorial to be held in the PHR for all to attend and where Prince Leonard's ashes are also to be scattered as was his wish.

HRH Sovereign Prince Graeme wishes to thank all those who have offered and provided their support to himself and his family at this time.

Prince Graeme also wishes at this time, to thank all those who have sent messages of love and kindness, your kind thoughts and actions are a blessing during this time and we benefit greatly from them.

All love and support will be greatly appreciated through the rough days ahead as Prince Leonard is laid to rest and Prince Graeme and family begin the next stage in their journey and the journey of the Principality of Hutt River.

The Principality of Hutt River Offices and the border will now shut down and border gates will be closed for a period of mourning to be in place for 3 weeks.

No visitors will be allowed entry, no visas will be issued until the border re-opens on Monday March 04th 2019.

Emails will still be attended to during this period, though with some delays during this time. No Government services will be available.

This of course means that camping and overnight stays in the Principality will be unavailable during this state of mourning.

Please respect these wishes at this difficult time.

As a mark of respect for HRH Prince Leonard, it is commanded that all flags of the PHR, wherever they may be flown, are to immediately be lowered to half-mast and remain at such for the period of mourning returning to full mast March 04th.

We trust all will understand and bear with us at this time as this loss is a great blow to all of us here in the Principality. The loss of Prince Leonard will be sorely felt.

Sending of Messages of Condolence

Condolences may be emailed direct to the Sovereign's Aide de Camp Lord Baikie
phr.adc@principality-hutt-river.org

All such will be handed on to HRH Prince Graeme.

All electronic messages will have any personal information removed and be published on a Memorial Wall here on the website and archived for perpetuity.

Condolence cards/messages can be posted to:

**HRH Prince Graeme
Government Buildings
Principality of Hutt River
Via Western Australia 6535**

HRH Prince Leonard George Casley

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Gone.....But never forgotten!