Senator the Hon Michaelia Cash
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DEPUTY LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION IN THE SENATE
SENATOR FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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SENATOR CASH ELECTED LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION IN THE SENATE

Senator the Hon Michaelia Cash is honoured to have been elected today as Leader of the Opposition in the Senate.

Senator Cash was unopposed in the ballot to take over from retiring leader Senator the Hon Simon Birmingham. Senator the Hon Anne Ruston was elected unopposed as Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Senate.

Senator Cash becomes the first woman to lead the Coalition in the Senate.

“It is a privilege and an honour to have been elected by my colleagues to be their Leader in the Senate,’’ Senator Cash said.

“I look forward to working with my Coalition colleagues to continue to hold the terrible Albanese Government to account in the Senate,’’ Senator Cash said.

“I congratulate Senator Ruston for being elected as Deputy Leader and look forward to working closely with her,’’ she said.

“I want to thank Simon Birmingham for his outstanding leadership of our Senate team both in Government and Opposition,’’ Senator Cash said.

“I wish Simon all the best in his new career in the private sector. He has given outstanding service to the Australian people for 18 years,’’ she said.

“This is an incredibly important time in our country’s history as we head to what I believe will be a Nation defining election. I will do everything I can to expose the Albanese government’s incompetence,’’ Senator Cash said.

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