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# The National Anthem

## Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice,  
For we are young and free;  
We’ve golden soil and wealth for toil;  
Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature’s gifts  
Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history’s page, let every stage  
Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.

Beneath our radiant Southern Cross  
We’ll toil with hearts and hands;  
To make this Commonwealth of ours  
Renowned of all the lands;  
For those who’ve come across the seas  
We’ve boundless plains to share;  
With courage let us all combine  
To Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing,  
Advance Australia Fair.

Composed by Peter Dodds McCormick

# Australian citizenship affirmation

As an Australian citizen,  
I affirm my loyalty to Australia and its people,  
Whose democratic beliefs I share,  
Whose rights and liberties I respect, and  
Whose laws I will uphold and obey.

Australian citizenship ceremony

Carroll Community Centre – Kenmore

26th January 2018

# Welcome

Australian citizenship represents commitment to   
Australia and its people, the values we share and   
our common future. Since the first Australian citizenship ceremony was hosted in 1949, more than five million people have chosen to become Australian citizens.

Becoming an Australian citizen is a major decision involving commitment, responsibility and public   
recognition. We congratulate today’s citizenship   
candidates on making their decision to become   
Australian citizens.

Existing Australian citizens are encouraged to   
publicly affirm their loyalty and commitment to   
Australia by participating in an Australian citizenship affirmation ceremony.

The affirmation is based on the pledge of commitment made by new citizens and gives those who are already Australians the same opportunity to declare their pride   
and commitment to our nation.

# Program

* Welcome and introduction
* Indigenous acknowledgement
* Australian citizenship ceremony
* Presentation of citizenship certificates
* Australian citizenship affirmation ceremony
* Response on behalf of new citizens
* Australian National Anthem and song
* Morning tea