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South Australia Premier Jay Weatherill names Hieu Van Le as next Governor

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VIETNAMESE refugee Hieu Van Le will be South Australia's next Governor.

Premier Jay Weatherill this morning announced Mr Le, who has been Lieutenant Governor since 2007, will replace Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce, whose term expires in August.

Professor Brenda Wilson of the Cancer Council will become Lieutenant Governor.

Mr Van Le arrived in Australia in 1977 from Vietnam and is believed to be the first Vietnamese-born person appointed to a Vice Regal position.

He is also chairman of the SA Multicultural and Ethnic Affairs Commission.

Mr Weatherill said Mr Le's appointment heralded an historic moment for South Australia.

"It is a great honour to announce that Mr Hieu Van Le will be South Australia's 35th Governor – the first Asian migrant to rise to the position of Governor in our State's history," Mr Weatherill said.

"Mr Le has a story of great significance to South Australia – from arriving as a boat person in 1977, advancing his education, establishing a family, rising through the ranks of business and community leadership, to becoming the Lieutenant Governor of South Australia.

"Now, the next chapter in Mr Le's incredible journey will be written when he is sworn in as Governor of South Australia in September.

"He has already demonstrated an outstanding level of service to the community and I have no doubt that he will serve the role with great distinction - as he has done in the role of Lieutenant Governor since 2007."

At the time of his appointment as Lieutenant Governor, Mr Le was regarded as the first Vietnamese-born person in the world who had been appointed to a Vice Regal position.

Mr Le said that he was deeply honoured, and at the same time, extremely humbled to be appointed to the position.

“As a young “boat people” refugee, I arrived here 36 years ago with nothing but an invisible suitcase filled with dreams.

“A dream to live in a peaceful, safe and free country and to live a meaningful and fulfilling life.

“But to be bestowed with the greatest honour and the privilege of holding the Vice-Regal office is absolutely beyond my wildest dream.

“This appointment, however, says much more about our society than about me – it sends a powerful message affirming our inclusive and egalitarian society.

“At the same time, this appointment represents a powerful symbolic acknowledgement of the contributions that all migrants and refugees have made and continuing to make to our State.

“I strongly believe that this appointment also sends a positive message to people in many countries in the world, and in particular, our neighbouring countries in Asia Pacific region, of the inclusive and vibrant multicultural society of South Australia.”

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