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It is with deep regret that Rev Trevor Bensch and Ian Wood record the death of our Patron, Kym Bonython.

It was an article in the Adelaide Advertiser on Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2009, which featured Kym Bonython in an *Adventurer wants the Right to Die* story, that led the co-founders to ask Kym Bonython to be Patron of the Group. Ian Wood said, "He graciously met with us at his home, and willingly agreed to take this role."

"Since then his name has appeared on our letterhead as **Patron: H.R. (Kym) Bonython AC, DFC, AFC, KCSJ, adventurer, music and art lover, entrepreneur – who wants the option of VE with stringent safeguards,**" added Mr Wood.

Rev Trevor Bensch stated, "Kym is greatly appreciated for a life of service and achievement, and we were honoured to have him as a member, signatory and Patron."

"It is a great shame that so far our politicians have not seen fit to realise this ambition of Kym Bonython – to have the legal option of a quick, peaceful assisted death available as a choice to those with a terminal or hopeless illness," concluded Mr Wood.



H R (Kym) Bonython, pictured with Ian Wood, co-founder of *Christians Supporting Choice for Voluntary Euthanasia*, at Elder Park, prior to a SAVES Rally on Parliament House steps, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct 2009.

For a link to the Kym Bonython Advertiser article -

<http://www.adelaidenow.com.au/news/south-australia/adventurer-wants-right-to-die/story-e6frea83-111118457146>