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Eject Senator Thorpe

FamilyVoice Australia spokesman David d'Lima is calling for action stronger than a mere censure motion against independent Senator Lidia Thorpe for publicly breaking her pledge of allegiance.

"Honourable senators must take strident action beyond the mere censure motion which passed with bipartisan support on 18 November," David d'Lima said.

"Senators must all take seriously the promise of allegiance made in service of the Monarch, as required by section 42 of the Commonwealth Constitution," he said.

While the Senate has no capacity to expel any of its number, it has ongoing power to deny a place in the chamber to anyone exhibiting public contempt for the Crown.

"Senators must defend the integrity of the pledges they themselves have made, and the honour of the Monarch they serve, by requiring Thorpe to absent herself from the Senate until she apologises profusely and affirms her allegiance without reservation," David d'Lima said.

"Disrespect to the King of Australia, and towards her colleagues and to the people, cannot be tolerated, and if she cannot be thrown out of Parliament, and if she is unrepentant, she must be excused from the chamber indefinitely."

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