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## **Death of Tony Gregory TD**

It was with great sorrow that the People's Movement learned of the death of one of our sponsors, Tony Gregory TD. Tony was a proud and active supporter of the People's Movement, attending a number of our press conferences called during the successful campaign against the Treaty of Lisbon in June 2008 despite his on-going battle with cancer.

He was one of the very few principled voices in the Dáil, standing up for his constituency which included some of the most marginalised communities in the country. He was active in the defence of the sovereignty of the Irish state and a long-time campaigner in the defence of Irish neutrality.

His untimely death has robbed the Irish people of an honest hard-working public representative and champion of many progressive causes. The People's Movement acknowledge his important contribution and we will continue to champion the fight for the enhancement of popular sovereignty, to regain greater control over the destiny of our nation and to build a more socially just Ireland.

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