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A tribute to the late Pat Booth

Waitemata DHB extends its condolences to the family and friends of former long-time Board member Pat Booth who died today aged 87.

Mr Booth retired from his position as an elected member of the Board in 2015 after 11 years of service.

The veteran journalist was proud of his work with the DHB:

"This role allowed me a great insight into the problems that exist in healthcare and the steps needed to be taken to fix them," he said during a farewell function. "I've enjoyed it. We have helped and, in our own way, contributed to the lives of a lot of people in a very positive way."

Waitemata DHB CEO Dr Dale Bramley says Mr Booth's legacy will be long remembered.

"Pat always had the community at heart. He was a great New Zealander who always got to the truth of the matter and endeavoured to make things better for his fellow man."

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