

President Toomas Hendrik Ilves sent his condolences today to the Lithuanian Head of State, Mrs. Dalia Grybauskaitė, on the death of the former President and Prime Minister of the Republic of Lithuania, Mr. Algirdas Brazauskas, who was one of the architects in restoring the independence of Lithuania.

“Lithuania has lost a great citizen, one who helped his country of birth to break away from a totalitarian regime into democracy. Estonia is mourning a true and sincere friend, who eagerly encouraged mutual co-operation between the Baltic states. Europe will remember a politician who had faith in the unity of Europe and strived for this objective,” President Ilves wrote.

“I bow my head in remembering and commemorating Mr. Algirdas Brazauskas, and my condolences and sadness are now with the people of Lithuania. Please forward my words of condolence to the next of kin of President Brazauskas,” wrote the Estonian Head of State.

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