



Speech by

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QUEENSLAND CANCER FUND

Mr BRISKEY (Cleveland—ALP) (10.24 a.m.): There are few in the community who would not be aware of the Queensland Cancer Fund or its fundraising campaigns like Daffodil Day and the Terry Fox Fun Run or have heard their educational messages focusing on cancer prevention. Behind the Queensland Cancer Fund are a countless number of local branches, including the Redlands branch. Those involved at the Redlands branch of the Queensland Cancer Fund do what they do because, like many Redlanders, they have a real sense of community. They do not work for the Cancer Fund for recognition or reward, but they deserve our thanks.

I would like to place on record in this House my gratitude to a number of people who have given so much to our local community for many years. Of course, in doing so, I do apologise to those whom I fail to mention. I thank Jill and John Bloomer, Margaret Murphy, Joe and Denise Ross, Pat and Bill Snoddy, Betty Harrop, Meg and Barry Driscoll, Iris Morley, Dorothy Schultz, Cath Corbett, Valerie Parkin, Janette Que, Dawn Evans, Joan Clarke, Linda Kearsley, Kim McDougall, Rose Beresford, Susan Austin, Merle Smith and Yvonne Bates.

These volunteers and many other people involved with branches across the State work hard to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for cancer research and education. The Redlands branch has already begun its work on the 10th annual Redlands Terry Fox Fun Run. Last year, under the outstanding chairmanship of Peter Brown, a committee of Redlanders organised a hugely successful run and walk through the streets of Raby Bay and down to Cleveland Point. I congratulate Peter and his team on their efforts in staging the biggest of 63 runs held across the State.

I also congratulate the many businesses who, each year, get behind this event, especially the Cleveland Harbourside Shopping Centre. The event was only one of many fundraising events organised by the branch in 1998. In the past 12 months, the branch was involved with Daffodil Day, a series of morning teas, barbeques, charity days and countless raffles.

Time expired.