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100% IN CONTROL ROCK EISTEDDFOD CHALLENGE

Mrs LAVARCH (Kurwongbah) (7.06 p.m.): On 6 August, I had the pleasure of attending the 1999 100% In Control B105 Rock Eisteddfod Challenge Brisbane grand final.

Mr Briskey: And it was great, too—Wellington Point State High School.

Mrs LAVARCH: Wellington Point State High School were great, as were the other 13 schools.

I also had the honour of presenting the first prize trophy on behalf of the Minister for Health. This was won by Keebra Park State High School with their presentation called Save the Day. The students dedicated their performance to all emergency service personnel. They honoured the tireless and courageous efforts of emergency services to make this a safer world through a dance presentation showing the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race rescue, the Thredbo disaster and a rescue from a burning building—helicopter and all. I know that the Minister for Emergency Services has been most interested in this presentation and will be attending the school to personally congratulate all involved. The second place was taken out by Marist College of Ashgrove with its performance named The Power of One—the Lech Walesa Story. They advised that this theme was chosen as a way of showing that one person really can make a difference.

The 100% In Control Rock Eisteddfod Challenges in Brisbane, Toowoomba, Mackay, Townsville and Cairns as well as the 100% In Control Croc Eisteddfod Festival in Weipa are all sponsored by Queensland Health. They provide an excellent opportunity for Queensland Health to be actively involved in a positive health initiative for young people. I might add that Queensland Health's involvement has been ongoing for 19 years.

The 100% In Control Rock Eisteddfods allow students to be creative, have fun and experience a natural high within a 100% drug-free environment. The talent, creativity and energy of the 14 schools involved was awesome. I want to congratulate all the students, parents, teachers and supporters involved in this year's rock eisteddfod challenge. I want to also congratulate Queensland Health for its continued sponsorship of this great event. Of course, particular mention has to be made—

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