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ADJOURNMENT

Kumbia State School, Centenary

Mrs FRECKLINGTON (Nanango—LNP) (8.59 pm): I rise tonight to talk about a fantastic occasion that happened in the great electorate of Nanango last weekend. It was the Kumbia State School centenary and it was attended by close to 1,000 people. It was a fantastic community occasion supported by all of the Kumbia community and also by the Deputy Prime Minister and member for Wide Bay, the Hon. Warren Truss, who was an ex-student of Kumbia State School. He actually attended there. He started in 1954 and he was there for some eight years.

It is important to recognise the working committee of the Kumbia State School centenary, ably headed by the P&C president, Mr Glen Unverzagt, and the principal, Ross Deards. These two gentlemen put so much work into the day and so much enthusiasm. It was just fantastic to be a part of it.

I had the great honour of being the MC for the day. I was able to get the Deputy Premier on his feet and lead the war cry for his old house, Russell House, with the two school leaders Meghan and Dan, who also led their house war cry. Then there was Stuart House, led my Nicholas and Ben, who led their war cry. It was a fantastic time.

I must also make note of the centenary band led by Pat Hobdell. This was a band put together of all ex-students of Kumbia State School. They came together and practised their old musical instruments with their great teacher Mrs Hobdell. They performed numerous musical pieces. It was just lovely, ending in *Auld Lang Syne*.

I would also like to acknowledge the Kumbia quilters, who prepared a beautiful quilt for the school, recognising the centenary on this amazing occasion. I understand that there were many quilters, but I should recognise Val Smith, Lorraine Campbell and Heather Unverzagt for their hard work on this quilt.

I really also would like to thank the entire organising committee but also the community groups that got together and helped Kumbia State School put on such a great show for the electorate. There were novelty stalls and a lot of fun and games to be had. I would like to congratulate all of the current students of Kumbia State School who, as always, looked fantastic in their school uniforms. They did their current school proud. We also had the local mayor, Wayne Kratzmann, plant a tree in honour of this wonderful occasion.