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ADJOURNMENT

Forest Lakes Lions Club

 **Hon. LM ENOCH** (Algester—ALP) (Minister for Housing and Public Works and Minister for Science and Innovation) (10.57 pm): I rise to praise the more than 200 people who participated in the Forest Lake Lions Club's second annual Walk with the Lions charity walk around the beautiful Forest Lake, which is situated at the northern end of the Algester electorate. This year, the event was dedicated to raising money for the Heart Foundation and raising awareness of the foundation's key message of 'Move more, sit less'. I am so thrilled to announce that the community, supported by the Forest Lake Lions Club, raised over \$6,000 for this well-deserving cause. The hardworking and committed members of the Forest Lake Lions Club organised a fantastic event and walking around the lake with hundreds of community members was a great way to spend a Sunday morning whilst promoting good health and supporting the Heart Foundation.

This year, members of the Leos Club of Forest Lake, a youth version of the Lions club that is made up of high school students from St John's Anglican College, decided that costumes were a necessary part of the event and were dressed as various superheroes. It seems that they have now set the challenge for participants at next year's Walk with the Lions event. On that note, let me give a huge thankyou to Mr Mark Newman, the Manager of the Forest Lake Community Branch of the Heritage Bank for publically committing us both to wearing superhero costumes next year. I am already imagining the captions for those photos!

Community organisations such as the Forest Lake Lions Club are fundamental to our community's ability to join together to support, encourage and build cohesion through a sense of true community spirit. Tonight, I am proud to stand here and say thank you to everyone who came out and walked around the lake. I thank Carmen and Alex Eramudugolla, Jon Slack, Kim and Stuart Grierson, Graham Daunt, Sharon and Wayne Hartig, Steve Coyle, Peg Trim, April Lindel, Yvonne and Walter Wilkinson, Julie Barr, Barbara and Sebastian Rendic, Charles Strunk, Bob Hary, Linda Paton and Hayley Grady from the Forest Lake Lions Club who work so hard to serve our community. I thank Karen Sagala from the Salvation Army with her coffee van. I also thank the ambulance officers from the St John's Ambulance, who donated the wages they would have received for the day.

I am pleased to put on record that the people of the Algester electorate are working with fantastic local community groups to accomplish significant goals. Working every day for the people of Algester is an absolute pleasure. I am so honoured to be able to stand in this place and share the great work that is being done and will continue to be done by the incredible Forest Lake Lions.