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 **Mr SAUNDERS** (Maryborough—ALP) (6.20 pm): I rise to talk about a good mate of mine who on 2 October this year resigned from Triple M in Maryborough. Scott Cameron Gilmour, better known as 'Scoot' to those who worked with him in radio, spent 39 years at the radio station. It is a pleasure to know Scott and to have worked with him. I remember the day that Scott drove in. I was doing the breakfast show at 4MB when the boss phoned me and said, 'Watch out for this bloke. He is moving from Gladstone to Maryborough.' I looked out the window and saw a bloke turn up with curly hair, dressed like someone out of *Starsky & Hutch* and driving a German car. We formed a great friendship from that day on.

It is fair to say that Scott was not a Labor man—that is an understatement—but we had many good debates. He was a great radio presenter. After 4MB became Triple M, Scott and Andrew did the Big Breakfast show for 22 years. That is a record in the radio world—to do a show together for 22 years.

Scott will be sadly missed in the community. Although he put on a brave and harsh face, he was a bit of a softie at heart. Scott helped countless people in the Maryborough and Fraser Coast community over the years he was on air. I think he will have a go at me for saying this, but Scott helped a lot of people.

We will miss Scott on the radio. Not only is he a good bloke; he is also a fantastic entertainer. He did a very good breakfast show. Every Monday morning I did a show with Scott and Andrew. As I said to Andrew the other day, walking into the studio is not that same now that Scott is not there—after 39 years of continuous broadcasting in Maryborough.

The community really got behind Scott. They are saddened to see him go. As I said, he did a great deal of things for members of the community and community organisations that he did not flap his gums talking about. He did them quietly, behind the scenes, and helped a lot of people. He would be embarrassed to know that I am talking about the good things he did.

Scott Gilmour is a friend. The radio industry will certainly miss Scott's wit and intelligence. He is an all-round good bloke. It is a shame that those of us who are getting older are coming to the end of our careers. On behalf of the residents of the Fraser Coast, particularly the Maryborough electorate, I wish Scott the best in his retirement. He is a really good bloke. Scott, thank you for the years of entertainment and what you have done for the Fraser Coast community.