




Speech By
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ADJOURNMENT

Redcliffe Electorate

 **Hon. YM D'ATH** (Redcliffe—ALP) (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice) (7.48 pm): I rise in this adjournment debate to talk about the wonderful electorate of Redcliffe and what has been happening there. However, firstly can I say how wonderful it was to pass the Termination of Pregnancy Bill and make history in this state.

The last time I spoke on an adjournment debate, I was wishing the Redcliffe Dolphins good luck in their championships. Tonight I am very proud that the Redcliffe Dolphins brought home their sixth Intrust Super Cup title following a hard-fought grand final win over the East Tigers. In fact, it is the Dolphins' first premierships win for 12 years.

It was a great pleasure to cheer them on from the sidelines this season not only at Suncorp Stadium but also at the freshly expanded Dolphin Stadium at Redcliffe. The state government helped to build the second stage of the grandstand. I congratulate the team, coach and staff at the Redcliffe Dolphins for their fantastic work this season. I was greatly honoured to present the player of the grand final award at their recent presentation night at Redcliffe Leagues Clubs. I know that they did not get the result they wanted when they played the curtain-raiser to the NRL grand final, but they played hard, did their absolute best and did us proud.

I also want to acknowledge the 30th anniversary of Chameleon Youth Housing. Last week Chameleon Youth Housing celebrated 30 years of successfully providing accommodation and support to young people and families in need. I cannot praise this organisation enough. Thirty years of operation for any NGO is significant, but this organisation takes in really vulnerable youths. It takes in youth justice kids. Many say we do not want this sort of accommodation in our community, but this community welcomes this organisation. All their neighbours in the street welcome them being there and are absolutely supportive. Last year it provided 5,500 bed nights to young people and families experiencing homelessness. All were aged under 25 years. They do a fantastic job. I want to congratulate each and every one of the team at Chameleon Youth Housing, particularly Carmel Riethmuller.

I want to briefly congratulate Redcliffe Area Youth Space and Picnic Hill on their second anniversary. The training minister will be thrilled to know that Redcliffe Area Youth Space's Picnic Hill event is put on by the Skilling Queenslanders for Work kids. They design it and run it. They do everything. They do the full event management as part of their training. Well done for reaching their second anniversary.