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 **Hon. G GRACE** (McConnel—ALP) (Minister for Education and Minister for Industrial Relations) (11.11 pm): On Saturday, 6 July we will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Teneriffe Festival, the premier festival in Brisbane. Ten years ago, then councillor David Hinchliffe and I wanted Teneriffe to have its own identity and be a separate suburb from Newstead instead of an unbounded locality. With unconditional support from our local magazine publisher of *Village News*, Michael Hawke, David and I worked with the community to make this happen, and to celebrate the wonderful suburb of Teneriffe we launched the Teneriffe Festival.

As a foundation board member I say 'Happy 10th anniversary!' to the Teneriffe Festival and thank the current hardworking board members led by chair Mic Uebergang. Thanks to Anita Jakins, Michael Wilkins, Ross Garnett, Matt Trehwella, Claire Campbell and Ben Wieland. I also say a special thanks to Murray Sutherland and his team at Kinetics, including Brent Harcombe, for their ongoing hard work to put this wonderful festival together each year. I also thank past members of the Teneriffe board, particularly former chair Richard Bodley. It is because of these former members that we have reached this milestone. Together they are the reason that the Teneriffe Festival is the best street festival in Brisbane.

There can be no Teneriffe Festival without our sponsors. Unfortunately, there is not the time to mention them all, but I thank our major sponsors Green Beacon Brewery Co., Defiant Duck, the wonderful Merthyr Village and, of course, the Brisbane City Council. There are also many community businesses that have donated their time for free every year: *My Village News*, *Style* magazine and Flight Centre. This year I am proud to say that, thanks to the Minister for Transport, those across the river in Bulimba will have a free ferry service from 9.30 am till 1.30 pm. They can travel from Bulimba to the Teneriffe Festival for free because of the efforts of the board.

In particular, I acknowledge that the 10 years of the Teneriffe Festival have been very safe for everyone who attends, thanks to the presence of the Fortitude Valley police. They do a fantastic job. It is the No. 1 priority of the board that everyone is safe. If you are in Brisbane, the Teneriffe Festival on Saturday, 6 July from 10 am onwards will be a great event. Come and share in a wonderful community event.

In conclusion, I wish all the very best to Senator Claire Moore, who on 30 June steps down as our local senator after 18 years. Claire has been an outstanding senator for Queensland. She has done an excellent job. She is a wonderful person who cares so much about the community and has worked tirelessly during her 18 years. I wish her a very happy time away from the Senate.