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## ADJOURNMENT

### Redlands Electorate

 **Ms RICHARDS** (Redlands—ALP) (6.29 pm): It has been the greatest joy to serve my Redlands community. I have spoken a lot about the achievements and the delivery of projects we have done together over the past three years, but the greatest joy in this role for me has been the relationships I have had the opportunity to develop with my community. We have the strongest community. That shone through over the weekend, as I said earlier in this week, with the COVID outbreak. I have a huge list—I do not think I will get through it all in two minutes and 30 seconds—but I want to mention some of the amazing community groups that I have had the honour and privilege of working with over the last three years.

In conservation we have our Southern Moreton Bay Islands Coast Care, Coochiemudlo Island Coastcare, Bay Islands Conservation Group, Victoria Point Garden Club, Karragarra Community Gardens and Running Wild Youth Conservation. Our service organisations absolutely abound. We have the Lions Club of Macleay Island, Lions Club of Redland Bay Victoria Point and Rotary Club of Redland Sunrise Inc.

Our emergency services are outstanding on the beautiful Moreton Bay. Our Volunteer Marine Rescue Victoria Point Association is incredible. I give a plug for their boaties market coming up this weekend. The Australian Volunteer Coast Guard Association down at Redland Bay is absolutely fantastic under the stewardship of Jason Boon as commander.

Our rural bushfire brigades are amazing. We have the Karragarra Bush Fire Brigade, along with those from Russell Island, Lamb Island and Macleay Island. Our Coochiemudlo Island Surf Life Saving Club is probably the smallest surf club in all of Queensland, but it kicks goals. It is the foundation for all of our young nippers who go on to serve down on the Gold Coast.

We have Crime Stoppers. I give a huge shout-out to Volunteers in Policing. The Coffee with a Cop initiative has transformed the way we work with our local police. It has been fantastic, and I thank Brendan Winslow for that. Our Macleay Island Local Ambulance Committee, Redlands local ambulance committee, the SES, the Redlands Coast Champions, our Scouts and our Girl Guides are all incredible. Our Venturers and the RSL groups are all fantastic. I mention the Cage Youth Foundation, the Macleay Island Progress Association, Soroptimists, Zonta, the Coochiemudlo Progress Association, the Lamb Island Residents Association, Night Ninjas that are helping the homeless, Love & Hope Redlands. There are just so many. There is Horses 4 Health and the Redlands Orchid Society. Traction does great work making bikes for young kids who are looking for some guidance.

All of our seniors groups are absolutely amazing, including U3A. There is Maybanke in the domestic violence space and the Centre for Women and Co. Can I say what an incredible job the Redlands branch of the Cancer Council does. I am extremely passionate about the work that they do. They are the most highly awarded Cancer Council branch in Queensland. Thank you to Tish and to Pam for all the work they do in that space.

Our Men's Shed—oh my goodness, I cannot talk highly enough of it. I love those guys. They are absolutely amazing. They have the best sausage sizzle you will ever get in all of Redlands. #lovedlands.