




Speech By
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 **Ms PEASE** (Lytton—ALP) (6.31 pm): I live in a beautiful part of the world with absolutely beautiful people who are committed to my community. I want to speak about a few of the events that are coming up in the coming weeks. This weekend is the launch of the Celebrate for a Cause 2023. This is a fantastic organisation that started in 2018 with a group of four friends getting together deciding to raise some money and it raised about \$650 for Share the Dignity. Since that time, each year it has hosted an event that is getting bigger and bigger each year—so much so that, to date, this organisation has raised over \$198,000. The beneficiaries have included: Rural Aid, which got \$20,000 in 2019; the Black Dog Institute, which got \$45,300; BABI, which is our youth and family services organisation, got \$74,000 in 2021; and last year the Forgotten Women project, which builds houses and accommodation for women over 50, and the Bayside Community Fund shared \$58,000. It was started by four friends—Tracey Lucock, Kara Vallins, Denise Rowell and Anna Stokes Zerner—and Kirrily Page and Louise Hazelton have joined the board. These four women are an amazing example of just some of the wonderful people in our community. They will be announcing the date of the upcoming event and I particularly want to thank the wonderful sponsors, Sorrentino. Sorrentino is the platinum sponsor and has stood by it year after year. Sorrentino does amazing community work.

Of course we also have the Anzac Day celebrations coming up next week. I particularly want to acknowledge all of the hardworking veterans groups in my area. There is the Wynnum RSL, the Manly-Lota RSL and the bayside National Servicemen's Association. We will all be getting together for the dawn service on Anzac Day as well as the following parades. There is a parade in Wynnum. If anyone is interested, they can come down to the Wynnum parade from nine o'clock. On 4 May I am hosting my annual domestic and family violence candlelight vigil at Pandanus Beach at 5.30 and Betty Taylor from the Red Rose Foundation is our guest speaker.

21 May is a really big day with many wonderful events. Starting at 8 am we have Bayside Community Fund in conjunction with the Guide Dogs hosting Pups in the Park, which will be an opportunity for people to come down with their dogs to the Bugs's home fields at Wynnum North. At 9 am we have a walk from Bayside Park for Prader-Willi syndrome. Prader-Willi syndrome is a devastating genetic disorder that impacts families with obesity, intellectual disability and shortness in height. It also is a life-limiting condition. At 10 am we have the Ampol Rotary Family Fun Day which raises awareness of domestic and family violence. It is all happening in the Wynnum-Manly area. Come on down!

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: How could you stay away?