




Speech By
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 **Mr MOLHOEK** (Southport—LNP) (9.11 pm): I only stood up at one second to go. I rise to speak about the wonderful community-driven events—

Mr Crandon interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Member for Coomera, you are warned.

Mr MOLHOEK:—and initiatives taking place across my electorate of Southport over the past month. Recently I had the privilege of hosting a community grants workshop at my office with more than 30 local sporting clubs and groups, P&Cs and other community organisations. I want to especially thank Lyn Mansfield, a community member who helped host these workshops and provided the benefit of her many years of experience.

I am also pleased to announce that the Southport Chamber of Commerce recently re-formed the Chinatown Subcommittee with a focus of bringing activities back to the Southport CBD and Gold Coast's Chinatown. I particularly want to thank the committee—Stella Chen, Sherry Tong, Lavinia Rampino, Lisa Gay, Allan Godbee, Holly Liu, Ping Aspinall, Peter Cook and Gerard Robb—for the incredible work they did in hosting and organising our recent Mooncake Festival, complete with tea ceremonies, dragons and all the other sorts of activity and, of course, mooncake that you would expect to go hand in hand with such a wonderful event.

I also particularly want to say thanks to Baby Give Back, an incredible organisation supporting families in need and giving every child an equal start in life. My thanks especially go to Carly Fradgley, the CEO, and her dedicated team for hosting my recent visit to their facility on the coast, which is actually in the member for Burleigh's electorate. This organisation puts together hundreds, if not thousands, of care parcels of clothing, nappies and other basic supplies for families, and they distribute them far and wide and into some of the most remote and far-flung parts of our great state of Queensland.

We also celebrated Queensland Gives' Gold Coast Community Foundation grants recipients recently and heard from the amazing James Frizelle and Trish Harris from the James Frizelle Charitable Foundation. I especially want to acknowledge them for their incredible generosity and the millions of dollars they are contributing to make our community a much better place. I especially acknowledge their recent gift of some \$20 million toward the St John Crisis Centre in Surfers Paradise for a DV shelter.