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**Rotary Club of Beenleigh 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations**

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Speaker, I was fortunate enough to attend the Rotary Club of Beenleigh's 70th Birthday Celebrations earlier this month, and it was fantastic to hear about all their achievements.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 1953, the Rotary Club of Beenleigh received its charter and become a member of Rotary International.

Speaker, may I take a moment to acknowledge the tireless work of **John Mulraney**, stalwart of the club who only recently handed over the reins to **Janee Hong**.

John ensured that the Rotary Club of Beenleigh remained an active member of the community for all of this time, involving itself in numerous projects, programs and activities.

In John's words, numerous members have come and gone from Rotary, but each and every one of those members past and present have contributed in some way to shape how Beenleigh Rotary is today.

And Speaker, there are so many community organizations and businesses who wouldn't be where they are today without the financial assistance of Beenleigh Rotary.

Over the past seven decades, they have donated funds to organizations like Volunteer Marine Rescue, Seniors Citizens, the Beenleigh Sports Club, Blue Nursing Services, Canefields Clubhouse, the Beenleigh Brass Band and the list goes on.

May I take this opportunity to wish Janee and the Rotary Club of Beenleigh a Happy 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday - bring on the next 70.

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