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FLAG CEREMONY CELEBRATES KOREAN NATIONAL DAY

The City of Ryde will celebrate Korean National Foundation Day with a flag raising ceremony on Tuesday 5 October 2010 at 10.00am.

Members of the local Korean community will join officials from the Korean Consulate General at the Civic Centre ceremony, followed by a morning tea in the Mayoral Chambers.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Artin Etmekdjian said: “Much of the vibrancy and prosperity of our City is in part thanks to the contribution of the large Korean community that now call the City of Ryde home.

“Being of Armenian heritage, I can identify with the deep connection to national traditions while proudly calling oneself Australian.

“For the local Korean community this is an important cultural event to remember and I am proud to be part of it.”

‘Gaecheonjeol’ is a public holiday in South Korea on October 3. Also known by the English name National Foundation Day, this holiday celebrates the creation of the state of Gojoseon (ancient Korea) founded in the 2333 BC.

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