Media Release

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AUSTRALIA DAY CONCERT Your Chance to Help Queensland Flood Victims

On Australia Day, local residents are being called upon to dig deep and donate to the Queensland Flood Disaster Appeal.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Artin Etmekdjian, said: "Australia Day is about celebrating what's great about Australia and being Australian and our annual Australia Day Family Concert is a great opportunity for our community to show support for the communities of Queensland devastated by these terrible floods."

The Mayor also announced that he will also be putting forward a Mayoral Minute at the first meeting of the full Council on 2 February for the City of Ryde to make a significant contribution to the Appeal.

The annual Australia Day Family Concert and Fireworks www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/australiaday at North Ryde Common kicks off at 5.00 pm with a great line up of family entertainment, headed by The Robertson Brothers, playing classic hits by artists from the 70s (including The Bee Gees, The Eagles and Little River Band). The spectacular fireworks will light up the evening sky at 9 o'clock.

Volunteers will circulate through the 10,000+ crowd, asking for donations to the Queensland Flood Disaster Appeal.

At the Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre there's a free Sausage Sizzle between 11.00am and 2.00pm that will also be collecting for the Queensland Flood Appeal.

Australia Day Family Concert & Fireworks

MC The Rhymer from Ryde Carnival rides, food and refreshments

5.00 pm	Shane Younger Band
5.30 pm	The Edge Ballet Academy
5.55 pm	Mayor and Australia Day Ambassador address
6.05 pm	Silverama
7.50 pm	The Robertson Brothers Back to the 70s
9.00 pm	Fireworks

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