

# **Speech by Mayor Logan K Howlett JP**

## **MACA Cancer 200 Fundraiser**

### **Kardinya Community Centre**

**Sunday, 7 July 2019**

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Good evening ladies and gentlemen, girls and boys.

My wife Patricia and I are delighted to join you tonight with the purpose of raising funds for the MACA Cancer 200 – a two day – 200 hundred kilometre round trip from Perth to Mandurah, to network with you and to enjoy a great curry.

I acknowledge the Wadjuk people of the Nyungar Nation the traditional custodians of the land on which we are gathered and I pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.

I acknowledge:

- Ms Suzanne Philpot, Ortho Sista's Team Leader;
- Mr Raveesh John, Ortho Sista's Team;
- Mr Yaz Mubarakai, MLA, Member for Jandakot;
- Mr Atul Narg, Chairperson, Federation of Indian Associations in WA;
- Mr Tojo Ythomas, Persident United Malayalee Association;
- Mr Steve Currie, Relationships Manager Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research;
- Ladies and gentlemen, girls and boys.

Can I say firstly how good it is to see so many children here this evening for they are our future and in many ways the reason why medical research is so important and will be going forward.

Many thanks to Raveesh John for his commitment to participating in this event once again as he joins hundreds of other riders to raise funds for Cancer Research in Perth at the Harry Perkins Institute of Medical Research.

Your nine member team (Orthosista) is to be commended for their drive and enthusiasm and for their fundraising efforts. I understand the event has raised more than \$23M to sustain important research for community health since its inception in 2011.

Ride donations have helped bring world-class scientists to Perth, funded unique cancer investigations and brought high-tech equipment to Western Australia to fast-track research outcomes.

As the MACA Cancer 200 website states:

“The MACA Cancer 200 is for anyone who wants to challenge themselves for a great cause. Riding 200km is hard, but dealing with a cancer diagnosis is harder. Do something amazing in 2019.”

Raveesh thank you once again for the opportunity to join with you, members of your team and their family & friends – I’m looking forward to a feast of great curries tonight and the opportunity to network with those here in support of your personal and team efforts.

In closing, the MACA Cancer 200 theme of:

“Challenge yourself and make a difference in 2019” is one that an increasing number of people aspire to achieve.

Well done, keep up the good work and my best wishes for your continued fundraising efforts and a great Thank you.