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 FROM:
 Superintendent, Commander. DOMESTIC, FAMILY VIOLENCE AND VULNERABLE PERSONS COMMAND

 SUBJECT:
 Rotary Saying NO to Domestic and Family Violence and YES to Respectful Relationships campaign

- 1. Rotary is a well-recognised global humanitarian organisation, administering activities throughout the world and local police and Rotary clubs have often come together in community events designed to raise awareness of domestic and family violence. A community engagement opportunity which may arise with your local Rotary club in November from their 2024 Saying NO to Domestic and Family Violence and YES to Respectful Relationships campaign, that they will leverage off the 16 days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence campaign.
- 2. Each year, from 25 November to 10 December, the QPS supports the internationally recognised 16 days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence campaign. The 25th of November is recognised as the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. The National Day of Action for Rotary will be Friday 29th of November. The 16 days concludes on International Human Rights Day in drawing attention to violence against women and children being a violation of human rights.
- 3. Recently, the QPS was re-approached again by Rotary Districts 9620, 9640 and 9560 that cover Queensland, Northern NSW and the Northern Territory to consider a formalised partnership. Rotary have also been involved this year with the Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Council Co-chaired by former Commissioner Mr Bob Atkinson OAM.
- 4. While there is no formal partnership arrangement with the above Rotary Districts, if your local Rotary club reaches out to your station promoting events in November, I ask you to consider them like any other community policing event that your district undertakes.
- 5. Rotary clubs mirror many police districts and have a strong community footprint in regional Queensland. I hope your district has an opportunity in November to build on the local Rotary

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connection to raise awareness of domestic and family violence. Please keep us in the loop and share your good work on the <u>Command's Workplace</u>.

6. Forwarded for your information and local consideration.

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