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# **MEDIA RELEASE**

## Ian Skippen Takes a Hike for AEIOU Foundation

Popular Brisbane identity Ian Skippen is taking a hike for AEIOU Foundation, to raise funds and awareness for early intervention for children with autism.

'Skip' is tackling the 21km course at this year's Take A Hike event, being held at Kurilpa Park South Brisbane on Sunday 22 October.

"In all the years I have been an ambassador for AEIOU Foundation, I have seen how they are helping children with autism overcome barriers and reach their full potential," Skip says.

"It's amazing to watch these children work so hard to face challenges every day – whether it be socially, with communication, developing independence or learning self-help skills.

"The AEIOU program is creating lifelong opportunities.

"That's why I am asking you to walk with me when I take part in the AEIOU Take A Hike along Brisbane River on Sunday 22 October.

"Bring your family, your friends – even your pets. With 5km, 10.5km and 21km challenges, there is an event for everyone."

You can register as an individual, or team, at www.takeahike.org.au.

For more information on AEIOU Foundation, go to www.aeiou.org.au.

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### **ABOUT AEIOU Foundation:**

AEIOU Foundation is a leading provider of early intervention for children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Our evidence-based therapy and education program is family focused and provides every child with the best opportunity to gain vital independence and achieve their full potential. Operating from nine locations, AEIOU supports children aged 2 to 6 years.

For more information about AEIOU Foundation visit <u>www.aeiou.org.au</u>.

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