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Today, eight years ago, Drupal 1.0.0 was released!

When I started work on Drupal as a graduate student, Drupal was just a little hobby project grown out of my own interest in the web. As you can tell from the original release notes, being the only programmer certainly had its charms. 😊

Fast forward 8 years, and we're global project with hundreds of thousands of users, thousands of active contributors and a healthy ecosystem.

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