



Speech by

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**BRASSALL STATE HIGH SCHOOL**

**Mr PAFF** (Ipswich West—ONP) (7.25 p.m.): The safety of our children, and especially children attending our schools, is a priority for all honourable members. It is my pleasure to commend the Premier and his Education Minister for hearing and, indeed, heeding my calls for improvements to school facilities off Voggel Road at the Brassall State High School in Ipswich West—calls which were designed to ensure the safety of 600 children from the dangers of storm and tempest, hail and lightning.

I am reliably informed that the department will now build a road access for students waiting by the school. This will enable students to be picked up directly from the shelter of the school and render unnecessary the present dangerous situation whereby students must wait for their transport some distance from the school without cover or protection from often upset elements.

My letter to Premier Beattie brought a prompt response from the department, and the school is now promised funding for the access road in the 1999-2000 Budget year. This is a major achievement for parents and children and a solution that many have sought for upwards of 10 long years.

I say to the Premier: the teachers at the Brassall State High School thank you, the students thank you, the parents thank you, and the electors of Ipswich West thank you. And I thank you for a job well done and a danger resolved.

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