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ADJOURNMENT

Nanango Electorate, Achievements; South Burnett Kingaroy Show

Mrs FRECKLINGTON (Nanango—LNP) (12.34 am): I want to share with the House tonight some of the achievements of my key goals of 2014 which I am proud to have helped secure for the constituents of my great electorate of Nanango. This afternoon saw the installation of two sets of school zone flashing lights, the first set on the D'Aguilar Highway near Taabinga State School in Kingaroy and the second set on the Brisbane Valley Highway next to the Harlin State School. Both of these schools are located on extremely busy highways carrying many heavy vehicles. I have been working very hard to secure these lights for the school communities. Thanks to our government's commitment to install these important safety measures at over 300 school zones around the state, two more schools in the Nanango electorate have just become safer.

The construction of a 1.2 kilometre overtaking lane north of Beitzel Road between Nanango and Yarraman has been confirmed and will begin very soon, to be completed hopefully by the end of the year. I have been working with the local Wide Bay Burnett region of the Department of Transport and Main Roads and they have provided me with plans for the overtaking lane. I know it will make a massive difference for the people driving along this dangerous section of the D'Aguilar Highway.

I also want to touch on the improvement of pedestrian safety on two key crossings: Haly Street, Kingaroy and the New England Highway, Crows Nest, again another very busy major highway. I am very pleased to learn that today work has begun on the Crows Nest pedestrian crossing to make it safer for those residents. This followed a community meeting I had a couple of weeks ago in late April. The feedback has ensured very quick and prompt action at this very dangerous crossing. I must mention some important people who made this a reality: Carole Pearce, Kerri Allan, Daphne Fox, Neil Lomas of the *High Country News* and the hardworking Crows Nest officer-in-charge, Sergeant Greg Dawes.

With the very short time left, could I seek your indulgence, Madam Speaker, to congratulate my amazing children who did so well at the South Burnett Kingaroy show on the weekend with their show cooking. My daughter Lucy secured a first prize with her custard kisses and a second in pikelets, slices and Anzac biscuits and my younger daughter Elke secured a first prize in the chocolate cake section. I was a very proud mum. I also entered show cooking and I was only able to secure two seconds, but very proudly, in the peanut crisps and the peanut biscuits. I congratulate Cliff Siler, Gary Barron and the entire show committee and in particular the amazing Bob Childs, who opened the show.