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## ADJOURNMENT

## **Southport Electorate**

**Mr MOLHOEK** (Southport—LNP) (7.03 pm): I rise to speak about the luckiest electorate in Queensland—Southport—with stage 1 of the light rail transforming our CBD. It is great to see the next stage well and truly underway. The scale of the Commonwealth Games village and the associated rail network improvements initiated by the previous LNP government has been absolutely epic. On my way to the office each morning I get to drive past the new hockey centre, which is coming on amazingly. Last weekend I also had the pleasure of launching my jet ski off the new boat ramp that has recently been completed at the Broadwater Parklands. What an amazing facility. It was incredible to see so many families out enjoying not just the new ramp and facilities but also the Broadwater Parklands that the LNP government worked so hard to create in my time as part of the Newman government. Could you really ask for more? Probably not.

There is another project that I am very excited about—that is, the completion of the Titans high performance centre. If anyone had told me a few years ago when I joined the Titans board that one day they would be building a new multipurpose facility smack bang in the middle of Parkwood in my electorate, right next door to my favourite golf club, I would have told them they were dreaming—but here we are.

Mr Seeney: What happened to that old hospital site?

**Mr MOLHOEK:** It is still waiting for sign-off from the other side. I take that interjection from the member for Callide. The centre will not receive its official unveiling until Tuesday, 29 November, but it is being put through its paces from today with the commencement of pre-season training. I have to admit that I am absolutely delighted to see that that facility is well and truly underway.

I am also excited about the fifth annual Kids in Care lunch. This year the Titans and Parkwood golf course will be partnering with me and the member for Gaven to host the fifth annual Kids in Care charity lunch. We are hoping this year to raise significant money to support kids through the Labrador Child Safety Service Centre, the Nerang centre, FSG and the Gold Coast Centre Against Sexual Violence to assist families and kids over the Christmas season.

There is so much pride and community spirit on the Gold Coast and so much within my own electorate. A few weeks ago at the Paul Broughton awards, Paul Broughton, in presenting the Titans player of the year award, said—

The season has been duly praised and rightly so as the Titan organisation, the NRL, the sponsors and in particular the players and fans brought a city to an awareness that they now know that it's only a matter of time before the Gold Coast Highway from the Airport to Cbus will be lined with the community of a united city behind a team that [came home with their first premiership].

My hope is that we will see that dream come true sooner rather than later. I thank Paul Broughton and others for their inspiration in supporting the Titans and also the Commonwealth Games.