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## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **Kallangur Electorate**

 **Mr KING** (Kallangur—ALP) (7.30 pm): I am pleased to advise the House about some very important local road improvements that are commencing this week in the Kallangur electorate. Motorists on Anzac Avenue can soon enjoy improved driving conditions with \$1.8 million worth of resurfacing works to begin this week. Anzac Avenue is one of the major thoroughfares in my electorate and carries tens of thousands of motorists to both my local community and further north daily. I was pleased to be advised by Minister Bailey that both carriageways on Anzac Avenue between School Road and Dohles Rocks Road would be resurfaced in this project. The works will provide an improved road surface and safer driving conditions for motorists on this busy section of Anzac Avenue. The project will involve the removal of the existing road surface, complete asphalt resurfacing and line marking and will take about five weeks to finish, weather permitting. This has been needed for a while.

A lot of work has gone into making sure we deliver these upgrades as efficiently as possible and limit interference to traffic and local business. The entire project will be completed at night, between 7 pm and 5 am, to minimise disruptions to nearby businesses and motorists. Motorists may experience some minor delays during the works and traffic control, reduced speed limits and signage will be in place. I implore motorists to take care during this time and consider the workers on the project. There is no doubt that the volume of traffic that uses this road takes a punishing toll on the surface and the vehicles on it. It is my priority to ensure that we not only have the roads we currently have in the best possible shape to carry the volumes of traffic they must but it is a constant challenge to ensure that we meet the needs of the future.

I know that most in this place would also have heard me mention the university that is coming to my electorate in the suburb of Petrie. This most important infrastructure project will bring with it a number of planning and funding priorities for future governments and councils. We as a community face a number of challenges in the local area in relation to this expansion, and I consider Anzac Avenue and indeed the entry point to Anzac Avenue—the Petrie roundabout and its upgrade—to be of the utmost priority for me as the local member of parliament. I am pleased that the minister recently responded to my question on notice about the early planning that is taking place around the need to upgrade this intersection and I am committed to working with the minister, the Moreton Bay Regional Council and the many local residents who use this area to get action on the required works as a priority. It has been a bottleneck in our area for as long as I can remember. I have lived in the area for most of my life and it makes me feel pretty good to know that we have a start towards repairing it. I thank everyone for their patience and remind motorists to drive with caution through the area while the roadworks are happening and to take care.