




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 **Hon. SJ MILES** (Murrumba—ALP) (Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services) (10.00 am): It is with deep sadness that I acknowledge the passing of Queensland ambulance officer Craig McCulloch. Mr McCulloch was responding to an emergency in Mackay on 28 January when the ambulance he was travelling in was involved in an accident. Despite the best efforts of bystanders and responding emergency services, Craig passed away at the scene.

Craig was a well-known officer and was respected by his peers. He first started working with the QAS in 2009 and worked across the state from Townsville to the Gold Coast as well as in the United Kingdom. The loss of one of our dedicated ambulance officers while working on the job is heartbreaking and the entire QAS family is deeply saddened by this tragic event.

I represented the government at Craig's funeral on Friday where his family, friends and colleagues celebrated his life and reflected on the remarkable man and father he was. On behalf of the honourable members of this parliament and all Queenslanders, I wish to extend my deepest sympathies to Craig's family, friends and colleagues. We say to his children today: your dad was a hero.