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## **ADJOURNMENT**

## **Moggill Electorate**

**Dr ROWAN** (Moggill—LNP) (7.23 pm): On Saturday, 31 October 2020, residents of the western suburbs of Brisbane, including those in the electorate of Moggill, can elect a Liberal National Party state government which can, and will, deliver vital local infrastructure to bust traffic congestion and enhance public transport services. The Palaszczuk state Labor government has consistently ignored the western suburbs of Brisbane. It is only the Liberal National Party that has the vision, the plans and the commitment to bust traffic congestion in the electorate of Moggill. It is not just my priority but also that of Liberal National Party candidates across the western suburbs of Brisbane, including: Lauren Day, the LNP's candidate for Maiwar; Roger Hooper, the LNP's candidate for Mount Ommaney; and Trent Wiseman, the LNP's candidate for Cooper.

All local LNP representatives and candidates are committed to providing better and safer roads for the western suburbs, improved local infrastructure as well as cost-of-living relief. That is why LNP leader Deb Frecklington has announced our plan to provide free off-peak travel for seniors on the Citytrain network as well as free travel via a voucher system to students commencing full-time university. Last week it was also a pleasure to join the LNP's candidate for Gaven, Kirsten Jackson, and discuss the Liberal National Party's plans to build the second M1 and bust traffic congestion for constituents in the electorate of Gaven and across the broader Gold Coast region—and I know the member for Theodore and the member for Coomera understand the importance of the second M1.

In the electorate of Moggill the Palaszczuk state Labor government must cease its go-slow approach and finally get on with upgrading the Kenmore roundabout. Labor must release the Moggill corridor planning study with solutions to ensure cyclist safety and eliminate fatalities. Labor must also address its significant failure to provide vital public transport services to residents, particularly in Mount Crosby, Karana Downs and surrounding suburbs. Residents in these areas often use taxi services due to limited public transport.

I note that the Queensland taxi industry continues to be badly let down by the Palaszczuk state Labor government and their continued inability to address significant concerns, especially with respect to compliance, questionable and unchecked practices by rideshare drivers, and ultimately the significant imbalance in regulation and oversight between the taxi and rideshare industries.

When it comes to education, so much more needs to be done for students in the electorate of Moggill. For years our local Kenmore State High School has been in desperate need of a new school hall, with the current facility totally inadequate for the needs of students, staff and parents. Labor has ignored and failed Kenmore State High School. While the Palaszczuk state Labor government announced a new primary school for Brisbane's inner west yesterday, it is imperative that any location is properly assessed on student need and population growth along with proper and adequate community consultation. Such a process is also crucial for a new high school to service local families in Karana Downs, Mount Crosby and surrounding areas, which I have consistently advocated for, along

with the LNP's firm commitment to defend, support and expand the rollout of Queensland's independent public schools. The next state election cannot come soon enough for residents of the western suburbs of Brisbane. Only the Liberal National Party can get Queensland working again.