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 **Mr CRANDON** (Coomera—LNP) (7.25 pm): It is my absolute honour and privilege to represent the northern Gold Coast and the Coomera electorate. As a community we have achieved much over the last 11-plus years, including the planning and funding for exit 54. We have won the fight for a police station at Pimpama. There is still much to be done, though.

If we are fortunate enough to be chosen by the people of Queensland to form government on 31 October, the LNP will immediately commence construction of stage 1 of the second M1, taking 60,000 vehicles off the M1, with \$550 million committed to start that project. We have committed \$25 million to add an additional exit 45 south, south of the Pimpama River, and an additional entry onto the M1 northbound at the Mirambeena Drive overpass. We would commence the planning process for a state-of-the-art northern Gold Coast hospital and health precinct, with \$4 million committed for that planning. We would build a police citizens youth club in the Pimpama area—the fastest growing region in Queensland—with \$6.5 million committed.

We would fight to fast-track the Coomera Railway Station park-and-ride to almost double existing capacity, with \$15 million committed by the federal government in May last year and the business case sitting on the minister's desk. We would fight to fast-track the upgrades at exits 41 and 49—already fully funded and still we have no final business case available for the commencement of that construction. We would fight to fast-track the Pimpama Railway Station which is not due for delivery by Labor until 2024. That is far too late. We need it delivered next year.

We would fight for an additional 35 police officers just to catch up with the population growth. We would fight to secure \$87 million to upgrade exit 38. The business case was completed in 2018, yet nothing is available and nothing has been brought forward by this government to develop exit 38. We would fight for more bus services between Ormeau and Coomera railway stations and more bus services between Beenleigh and Ormeau railway stations. There has been absolutely nothing from this government in that regard over the last five years. We would fight for a bus service to Jacobs Well and the Canelands community, constantly being knocked back and constantly being ignored by those opposite. This community deserves its own dedicated public transport system and bus service and the development of a long-term strategy for the future of the Canelands to round things out.

I have worked tirelessly for the people of the Coomera electorate and the northern Gold Coast for the last 11½ years. If I am successful at the next election, I give them my commitment that I will continue to fight for what is right on the northern Gold Coast.